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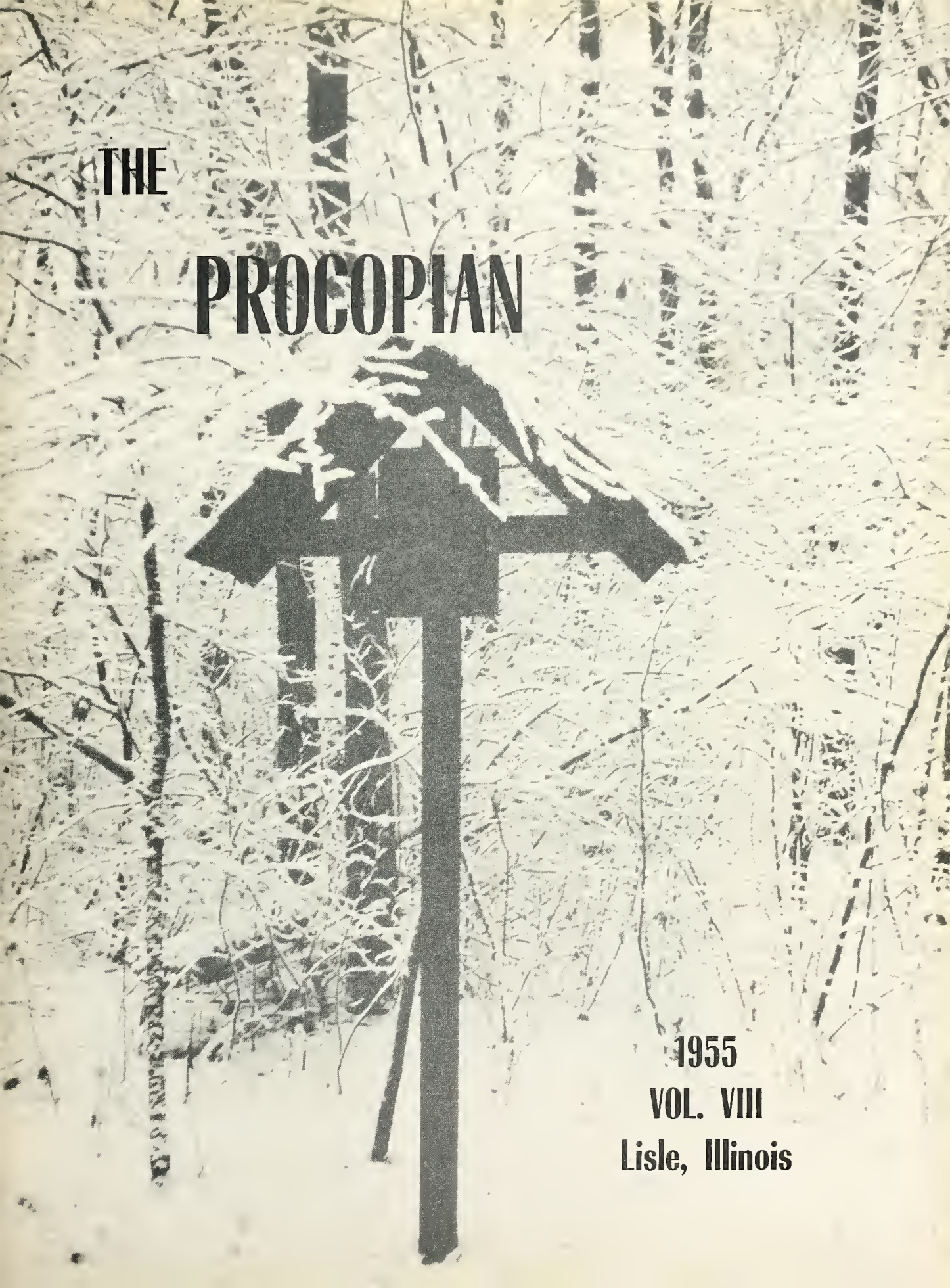

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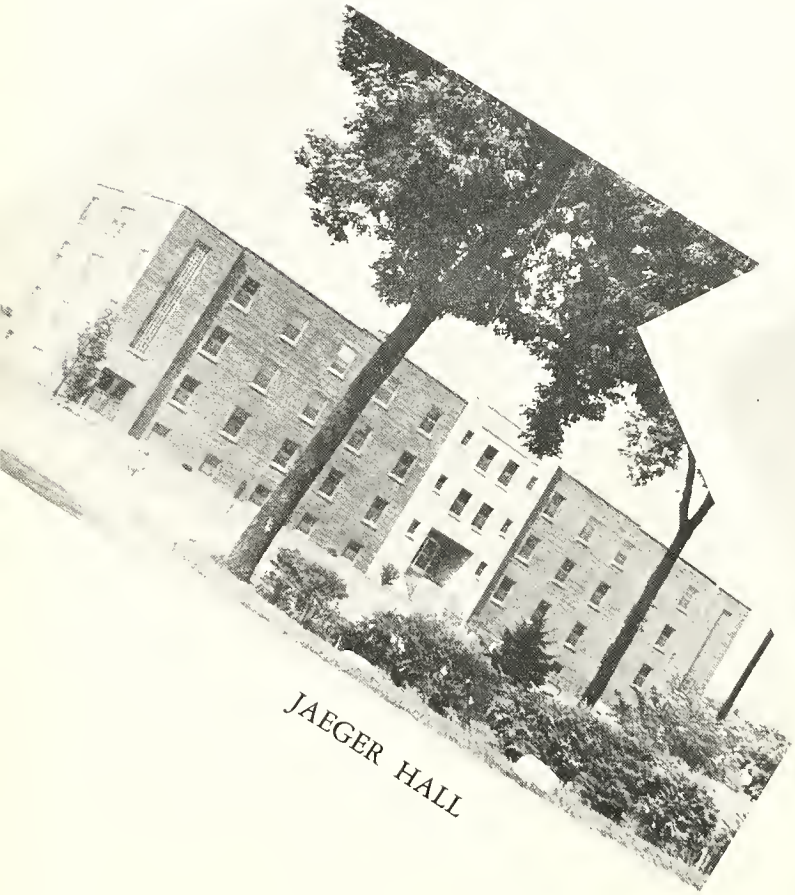

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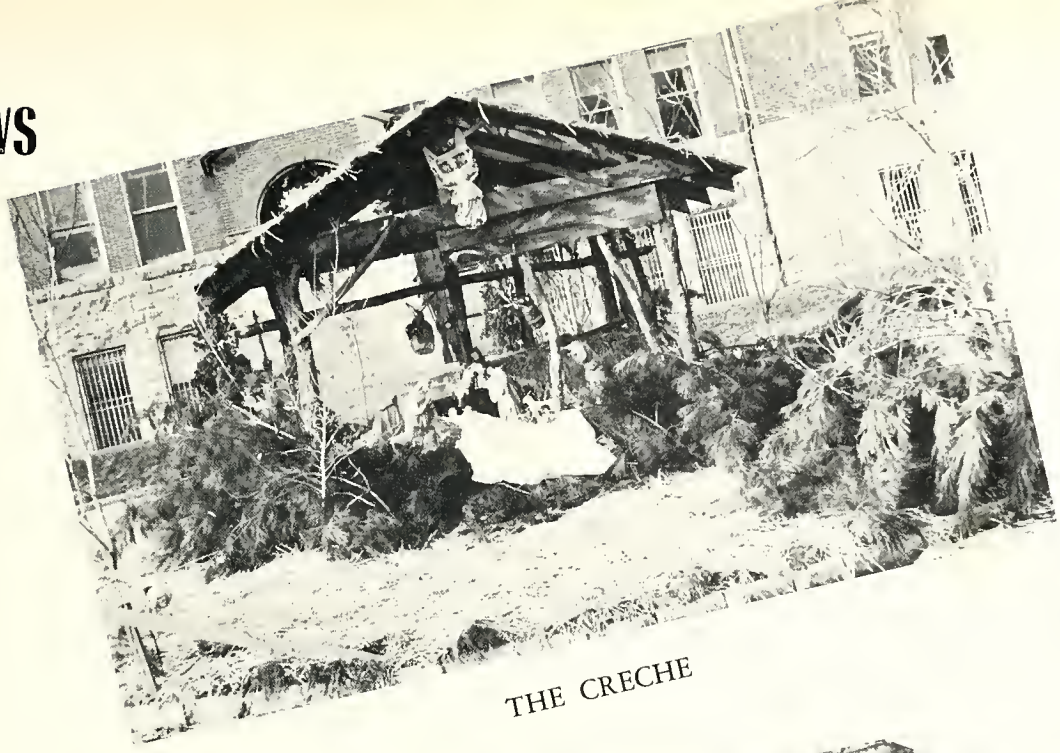

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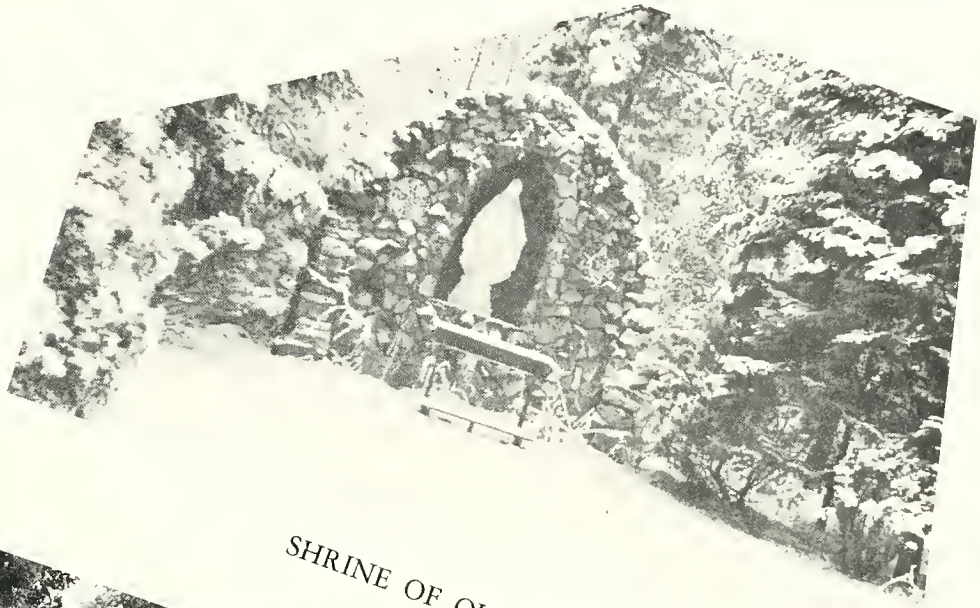

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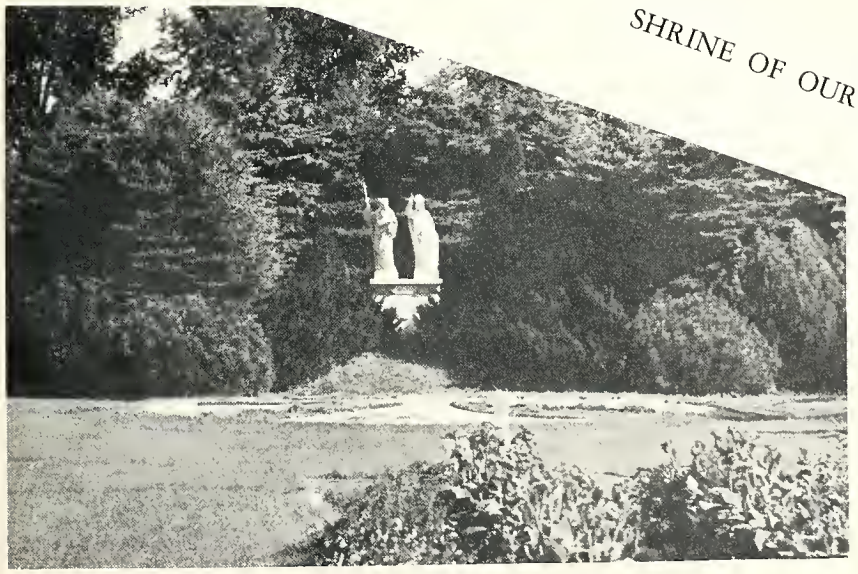

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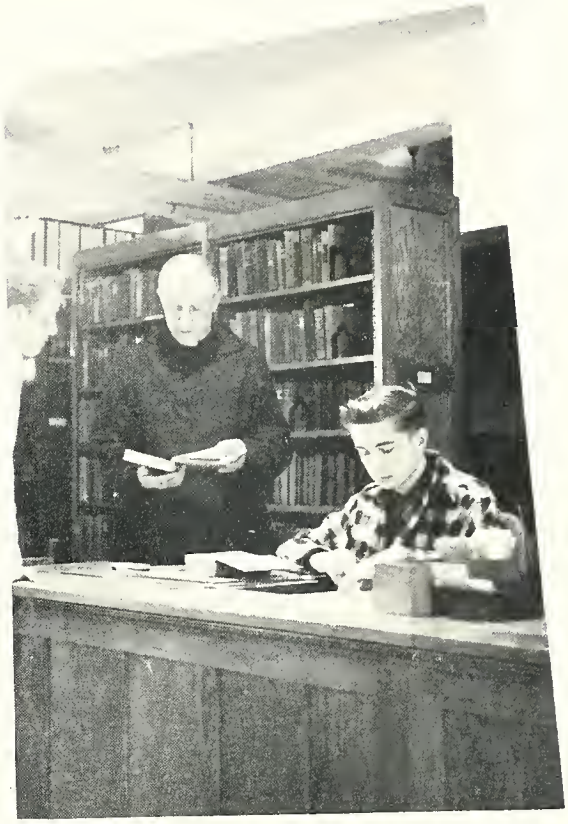

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You have achieved this complete education to a point. You have reached a milestone, a parting of the ways. The balance of your life will be a continuation, through experience and practice, of that same education under a new name and in a different environment. We call it the school of life, a longer or shorter stretch, perhaps, than you have had, but one that will be even more important and have far-reaching consequences.

It is our hope and prayer, that you will enter upon and pursue this life-long education of which today is but the commencement, with a faith in God, a dependence upon His guidance, and a devotion to His service and glory befitting the training you have received.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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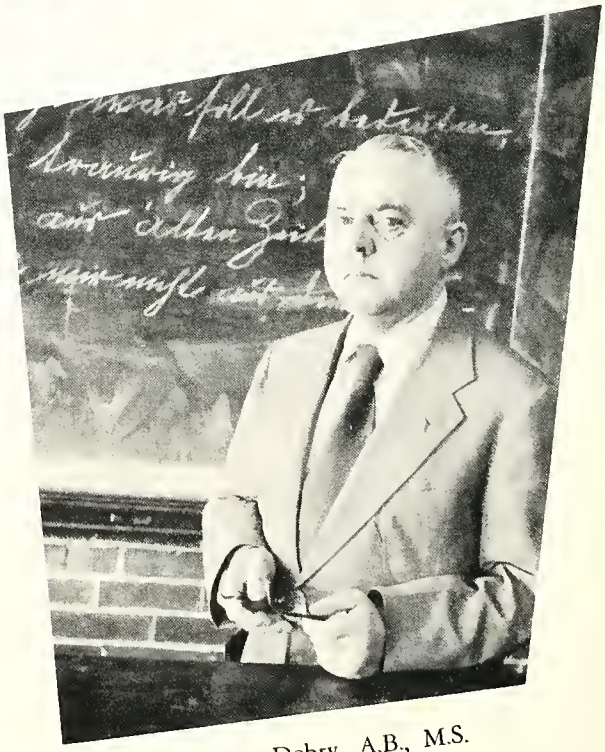

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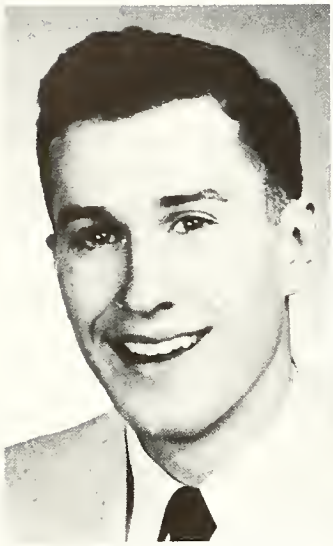

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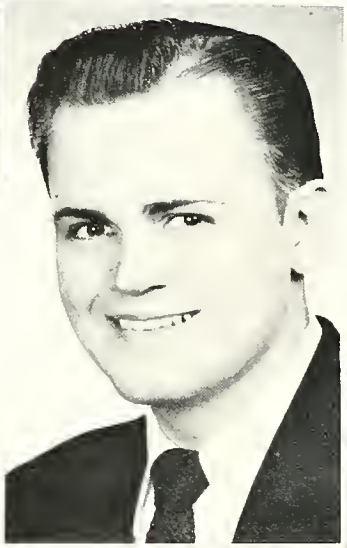

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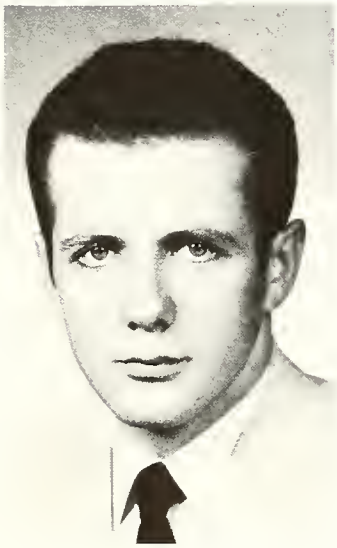

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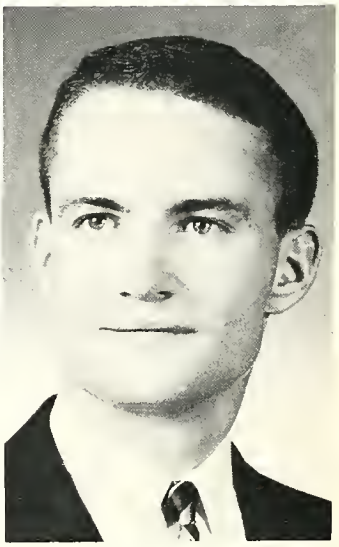

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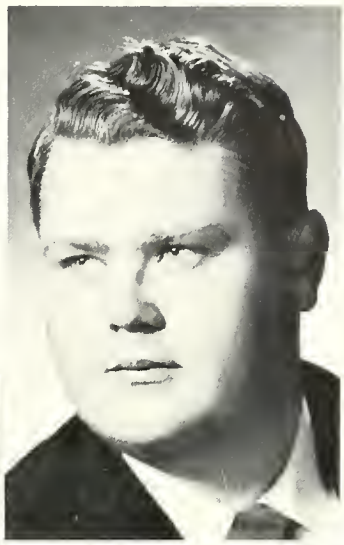

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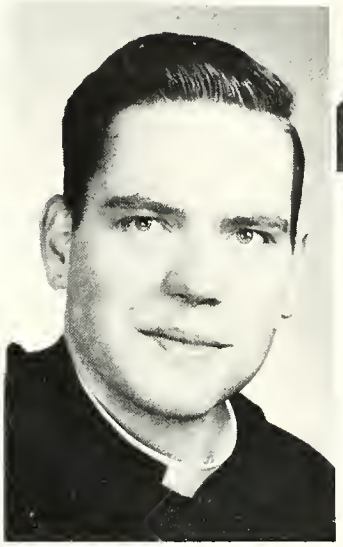

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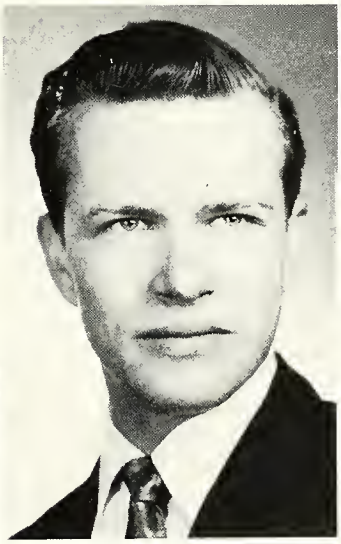

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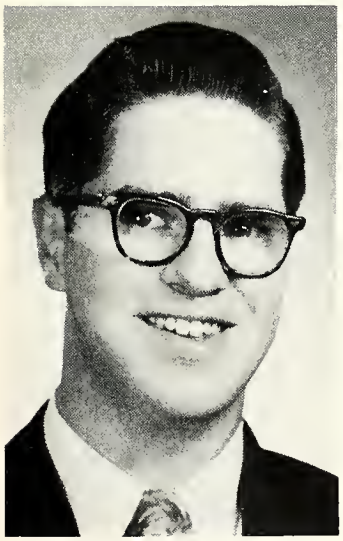

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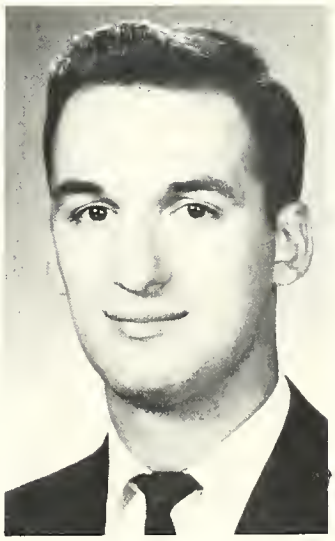

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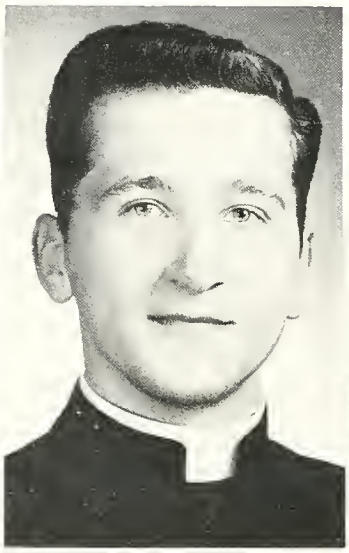

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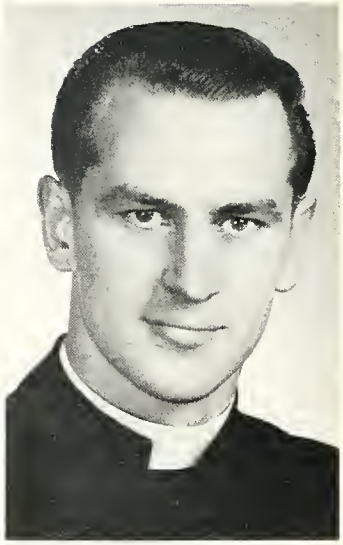

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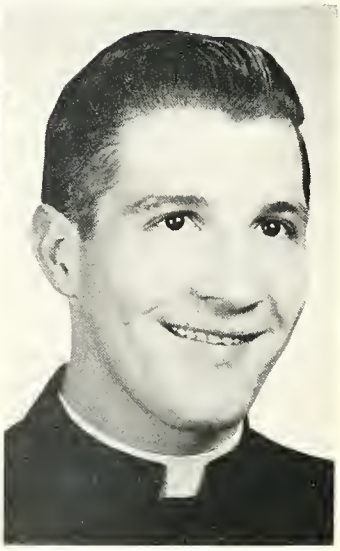

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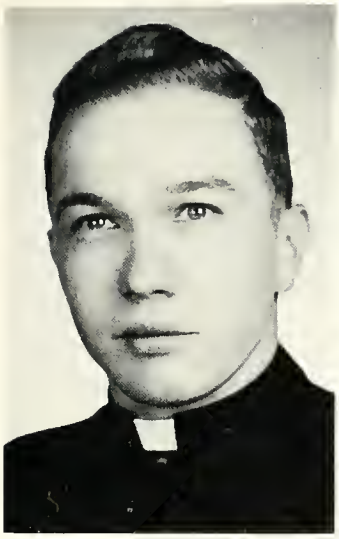

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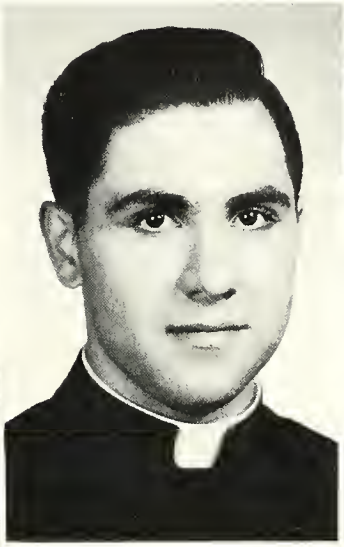

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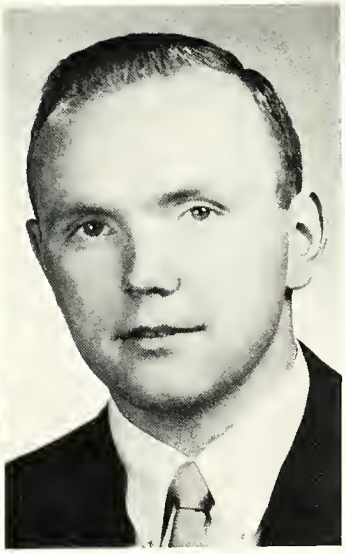

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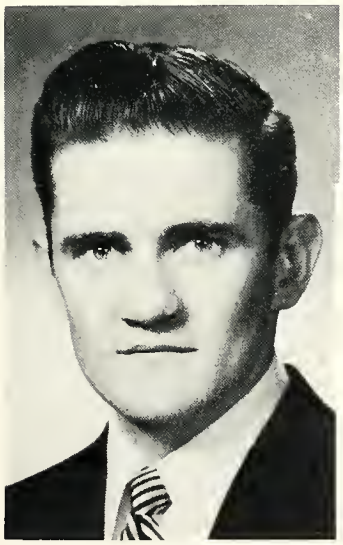

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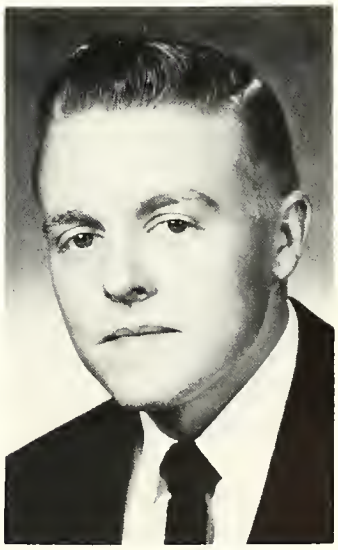

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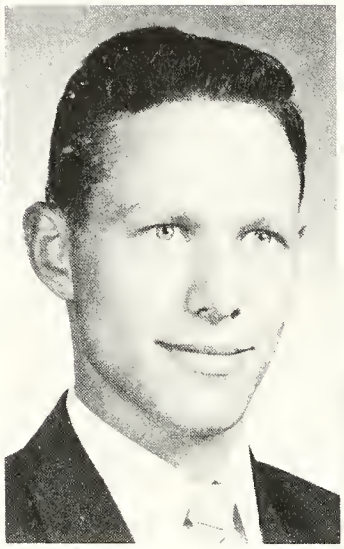

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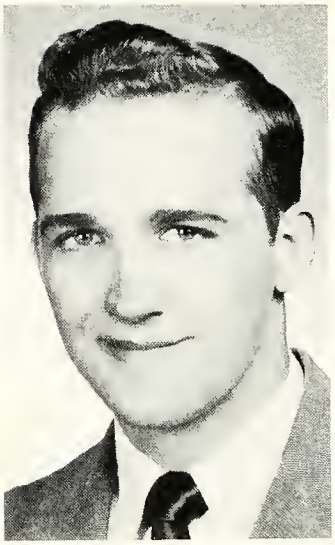

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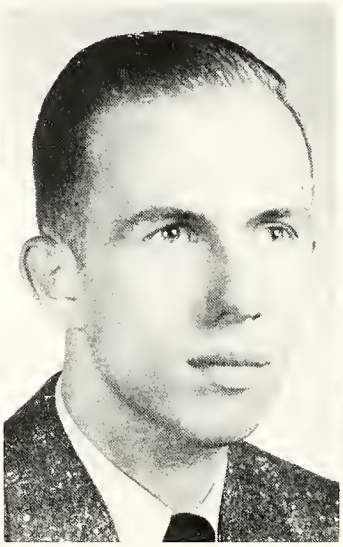

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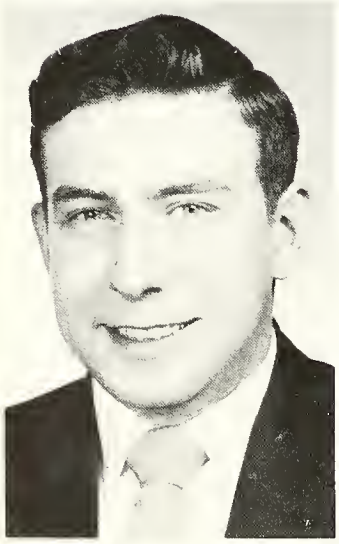

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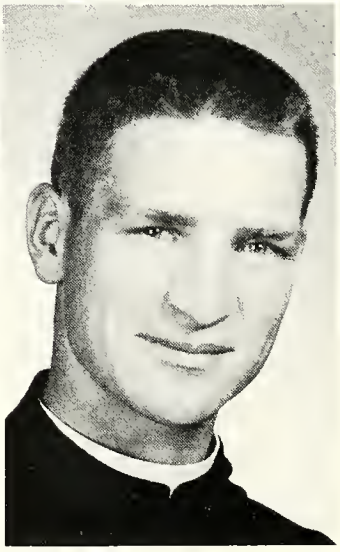

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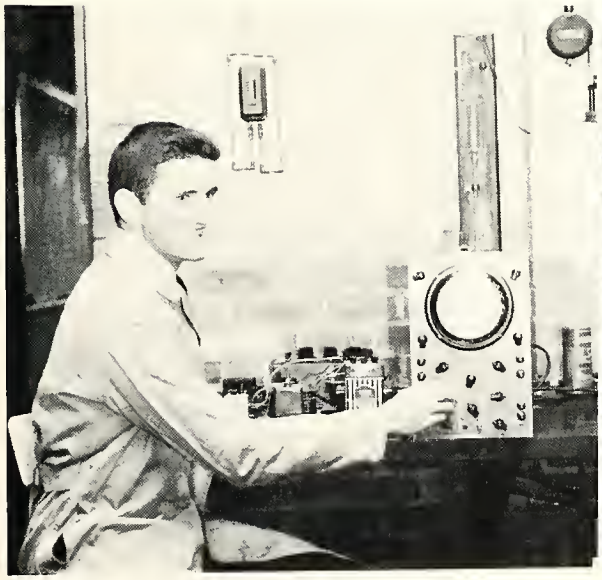

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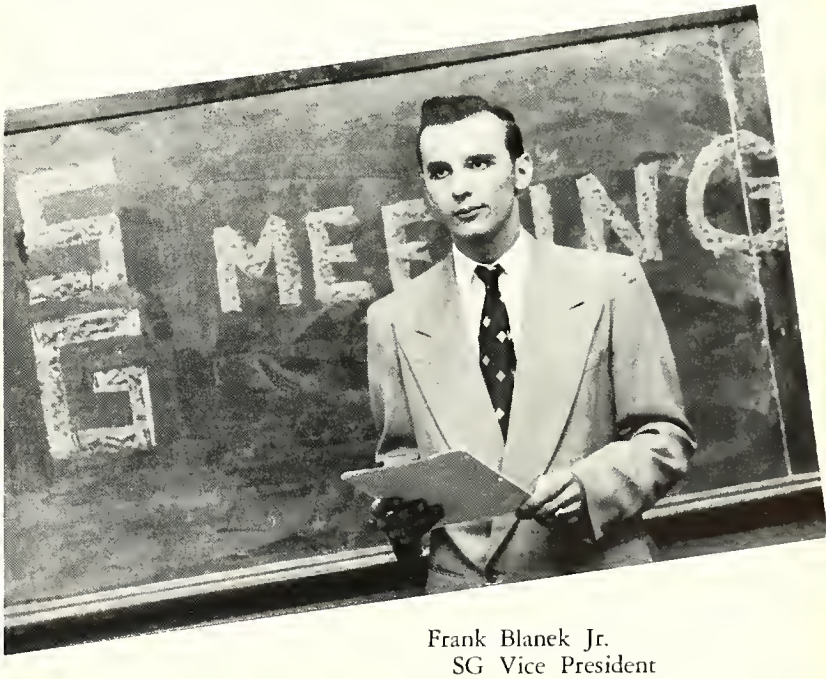

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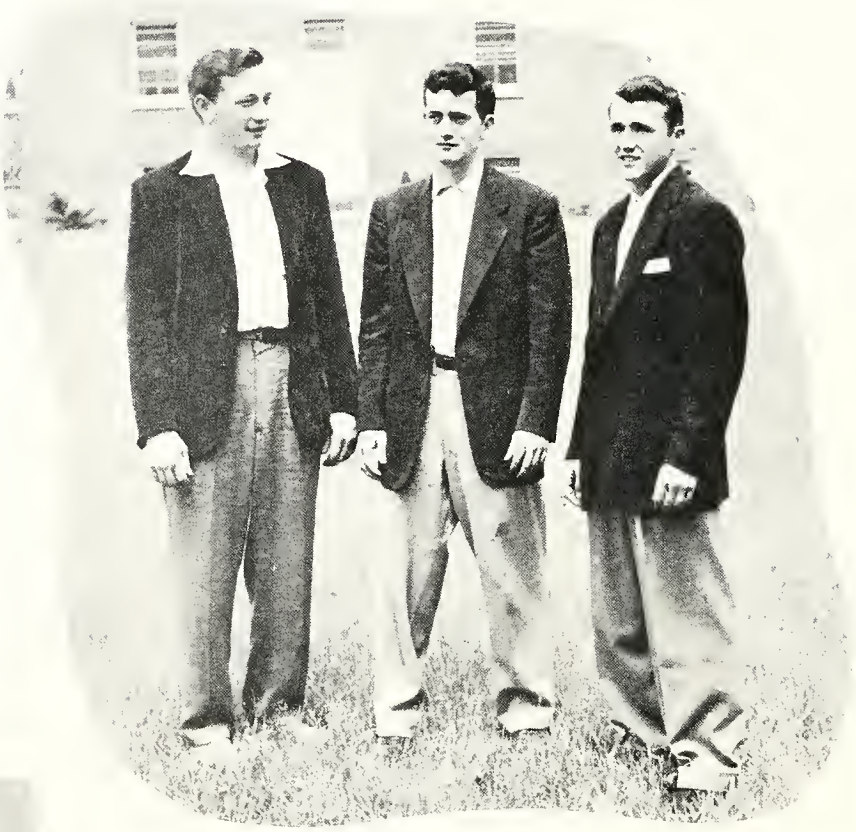

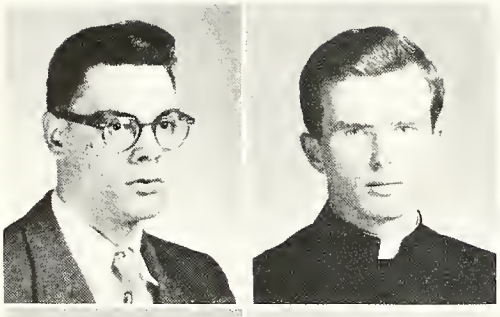

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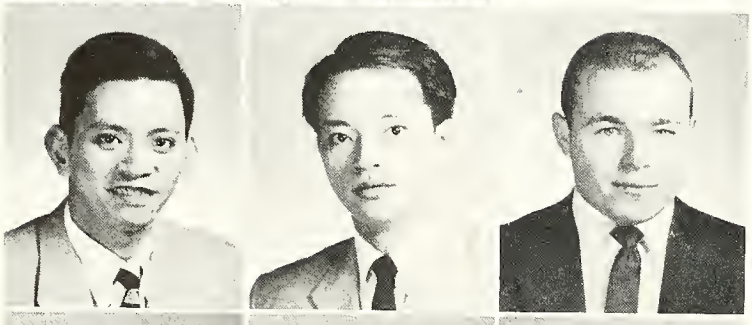

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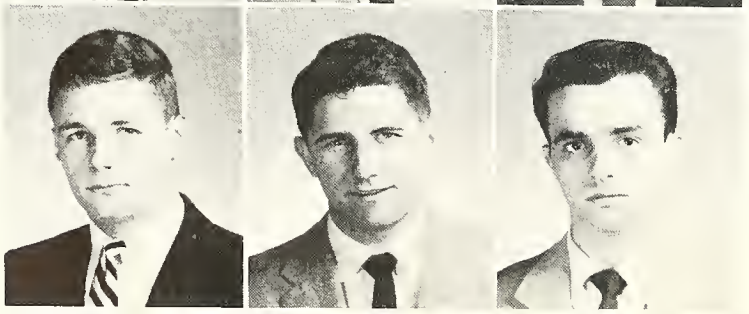

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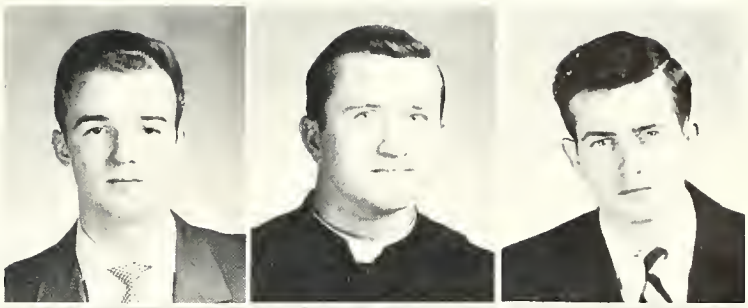

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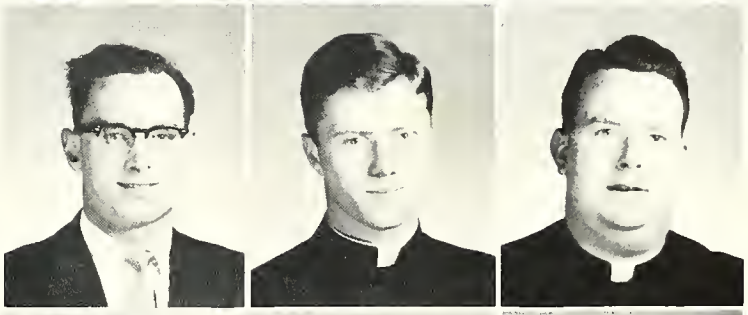

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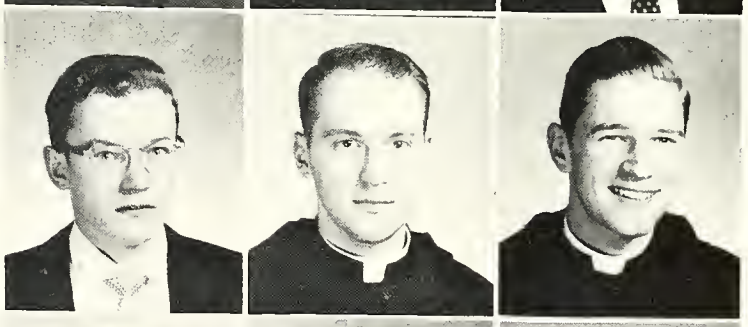

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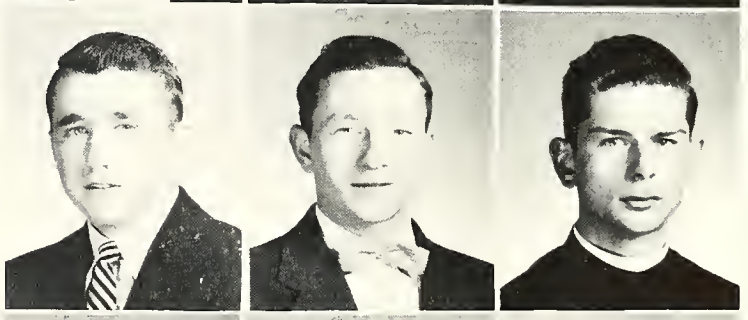

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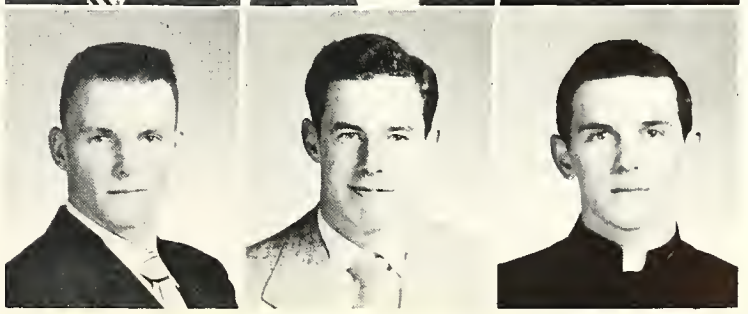

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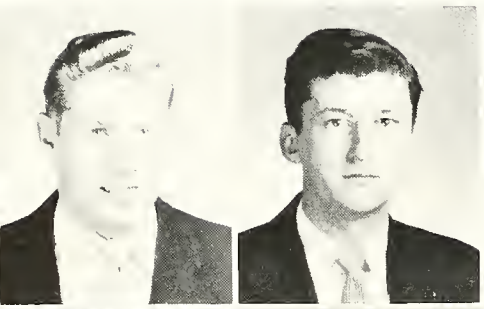

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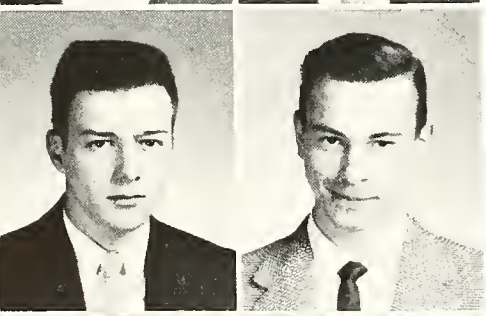

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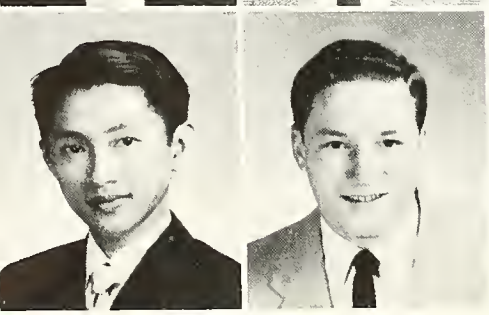

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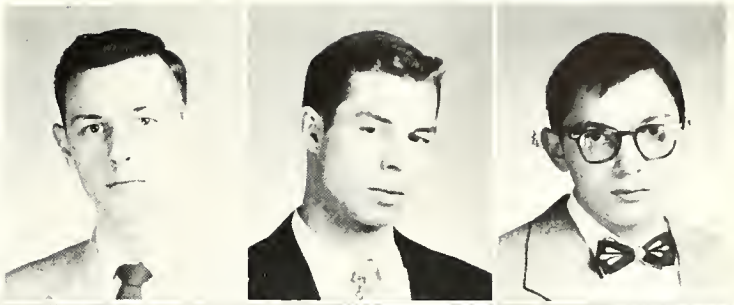

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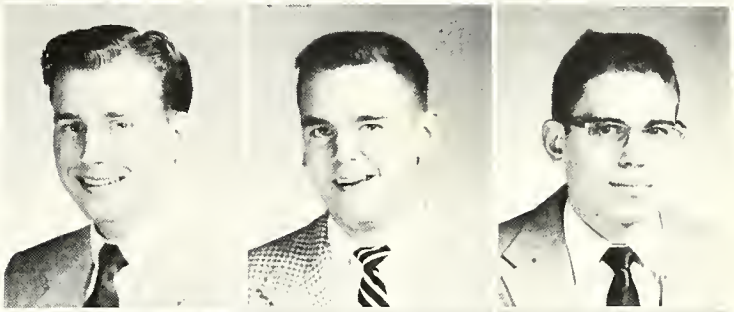

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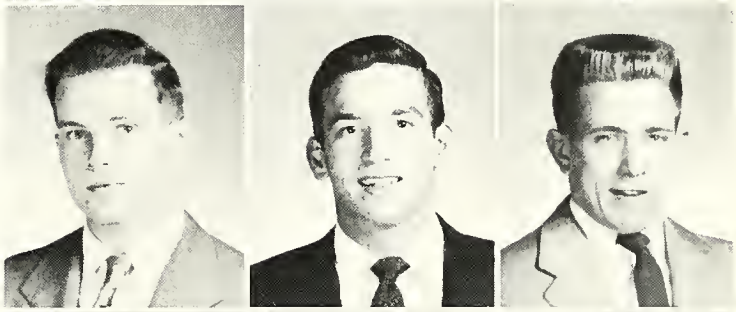

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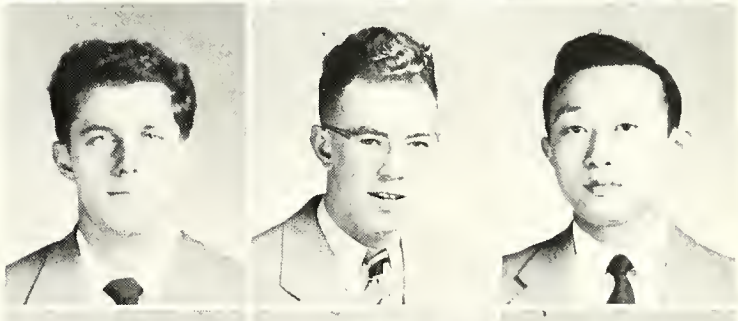

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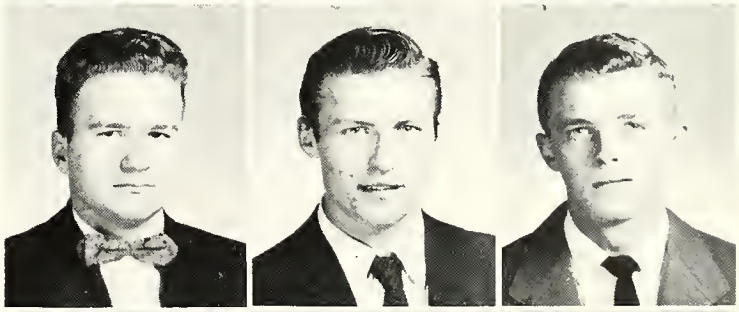

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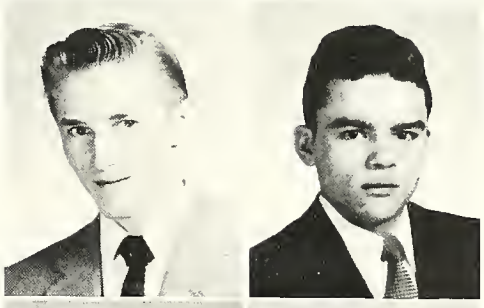

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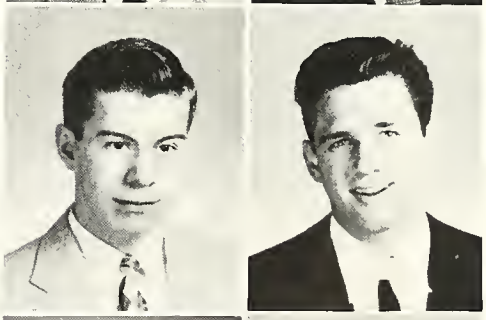

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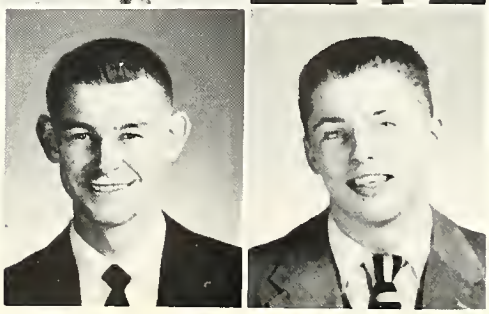

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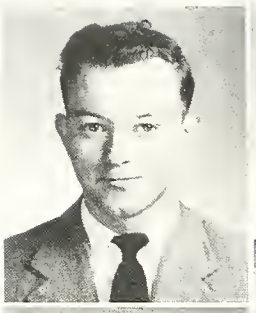
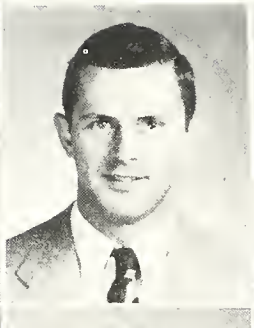
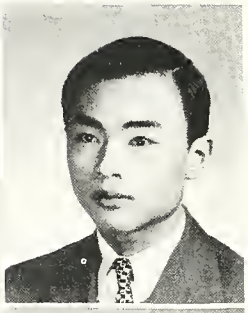

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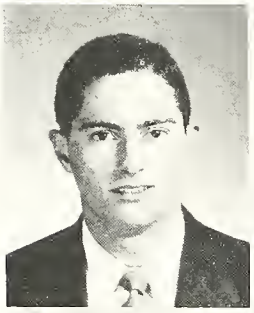
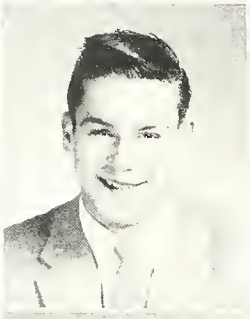

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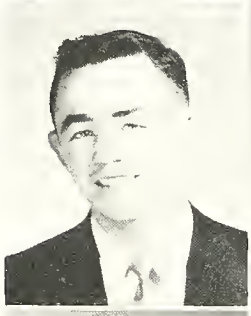
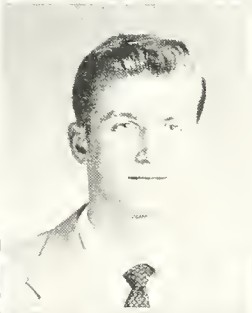

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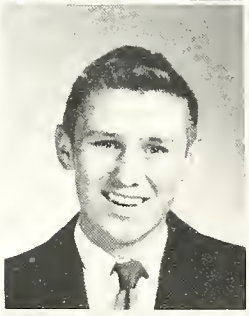
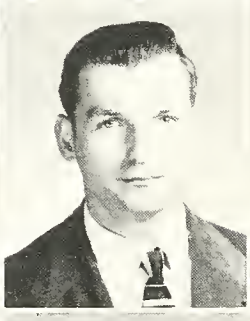
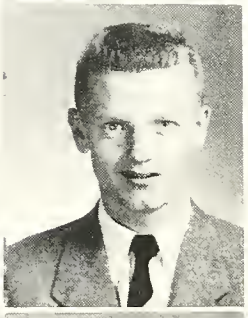

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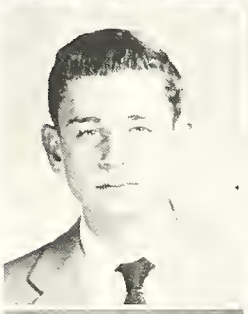

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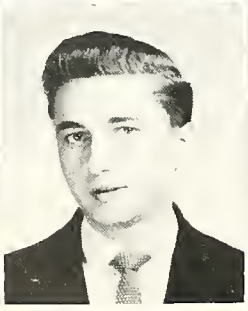
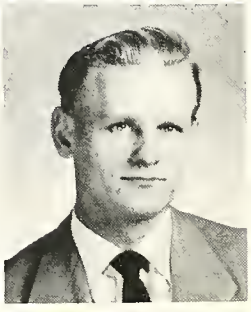

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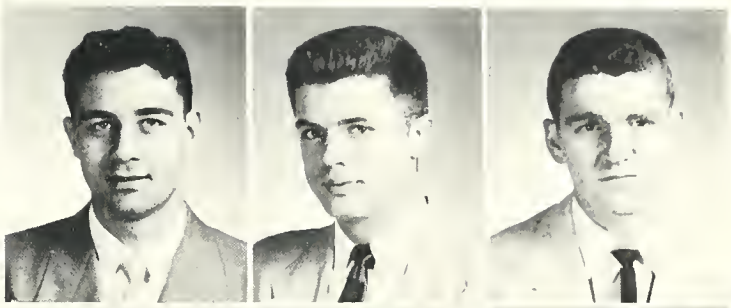

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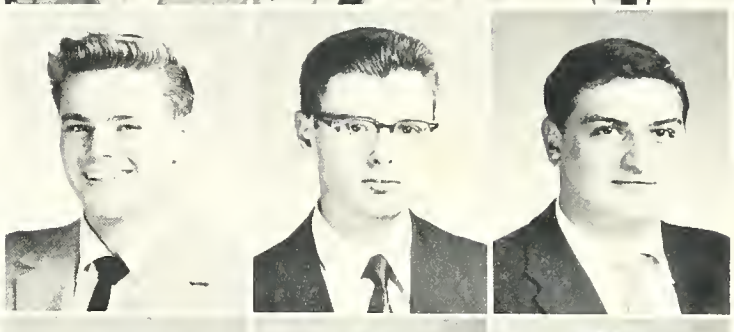

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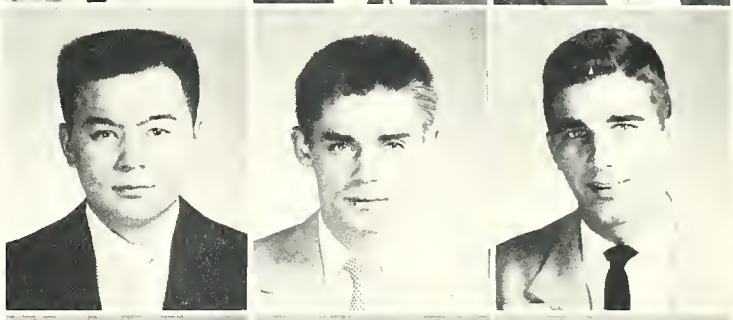

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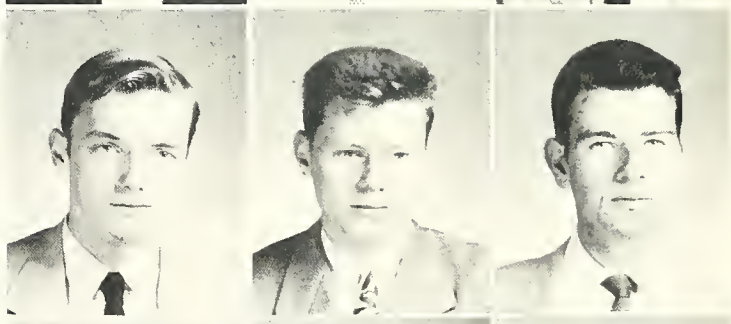

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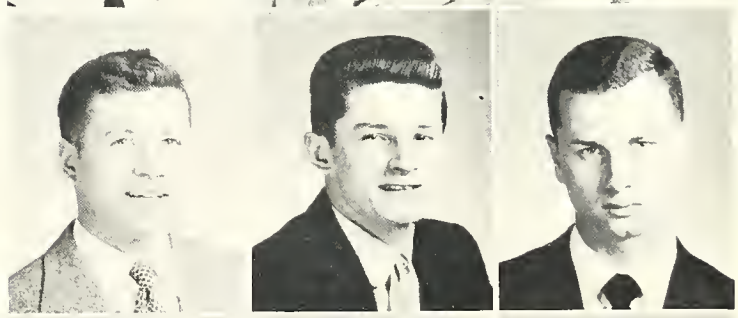

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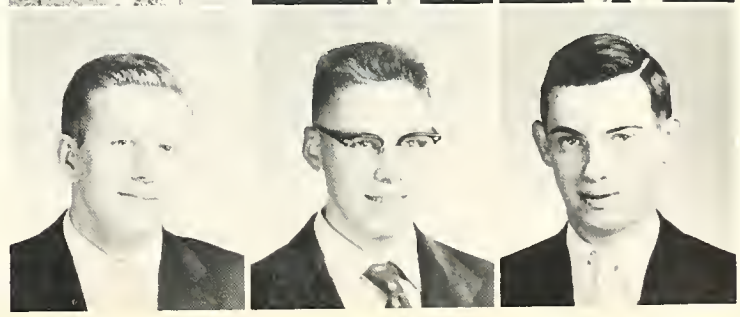

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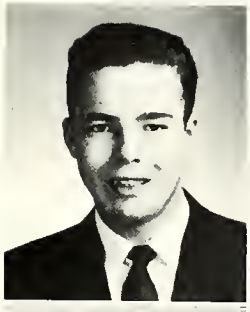
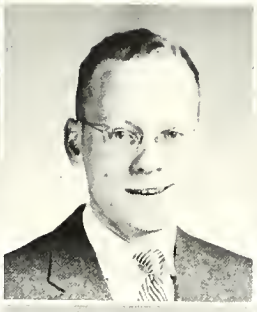
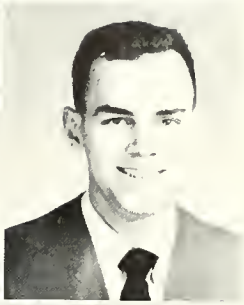

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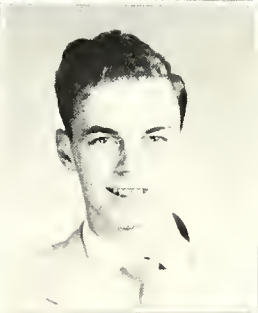
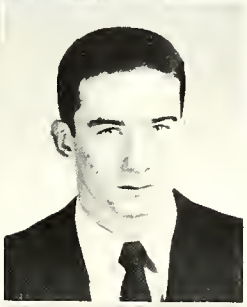

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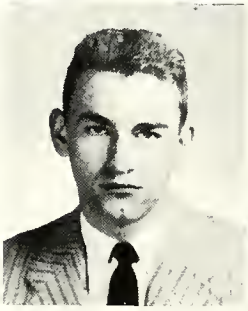
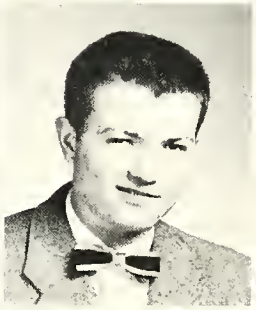

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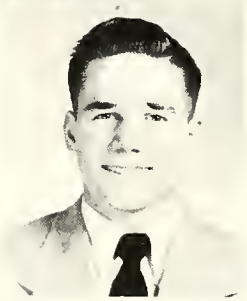

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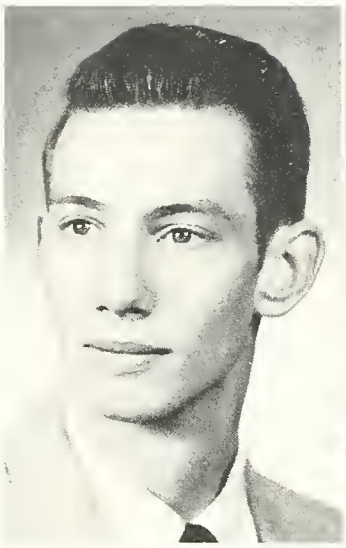

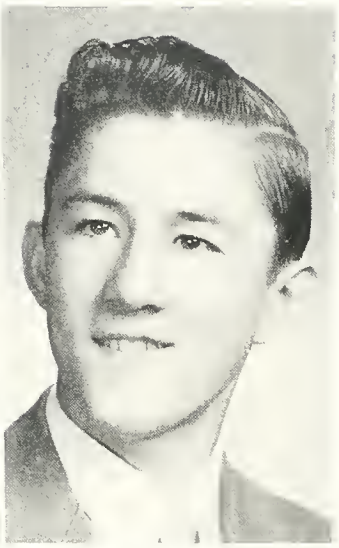

LARRY D. KLENDA
President

Social Chairman 4; ASG 1,2,3,4; Oblate 3,4; Servers Society 2,3, Vice President 4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; Annual 3,4; P.N. 3,4; Glee Club 4; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3,4; Hobby Shop 1; Sacristan 1,2,3,4.

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Oblate 2; Servers Society 1,2,3,4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; Annual 4; P.N. 4; Glee Club 4; Basketball 1; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3,4.

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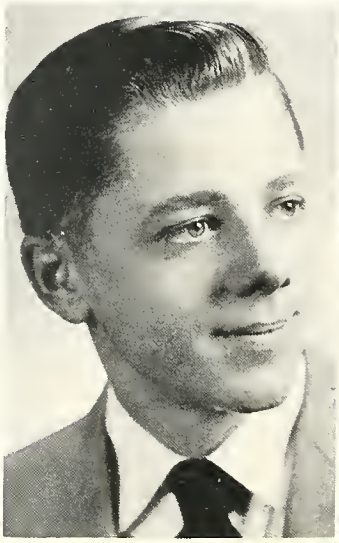
Secretary

Class Secretary 2,3; P.N. 3; Murals 2; Bowling 3,4.

JOHN P. FORD
Treasurer

ASG 3,4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; Annual 2,4; P.N. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 4; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3,4; Hobby Shop 1,2.



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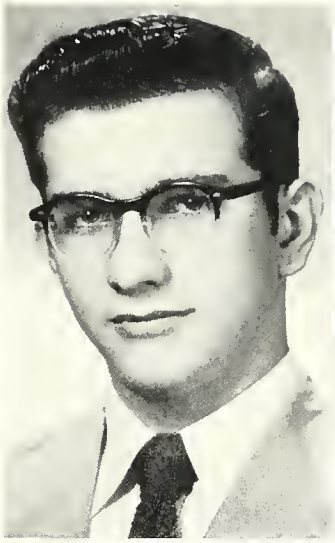

DANIEL R. ANDRZEJEWSKI

Murals 1,2.

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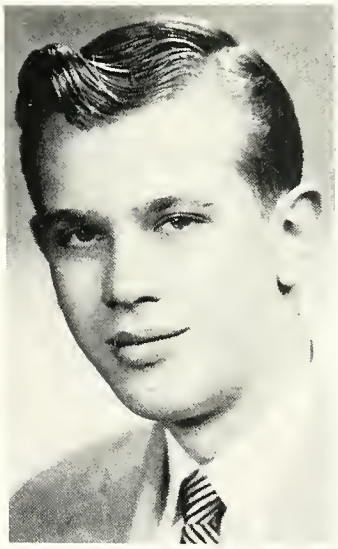

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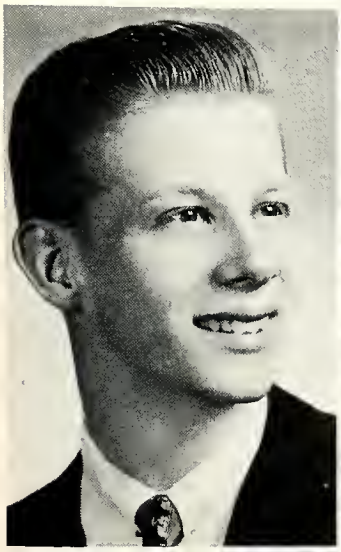
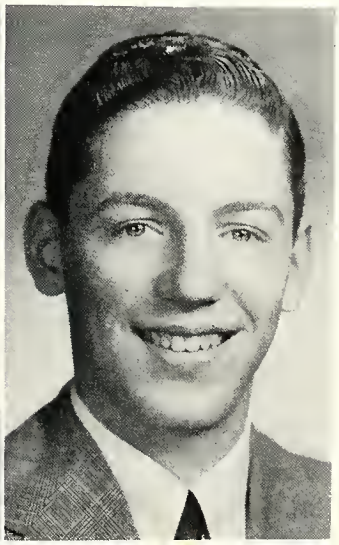
Football 2,3,4; Murals 1,2.





WILLIAM R. COTTER

Murals 3; Bowling 3; Hobby Shop 3.

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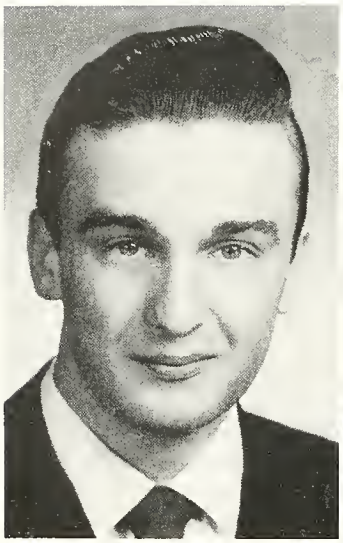

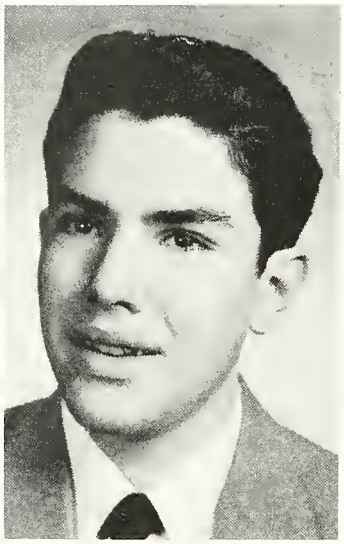

IRVIN JANA

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CARLOS GARCIA

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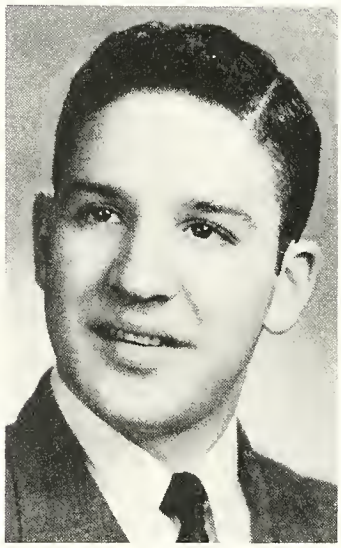

JOSE GOMEZ

H.N. 3,4; Lettermen's Club 3,4; Basketball 3,4.

EMIL J. KADERABEK

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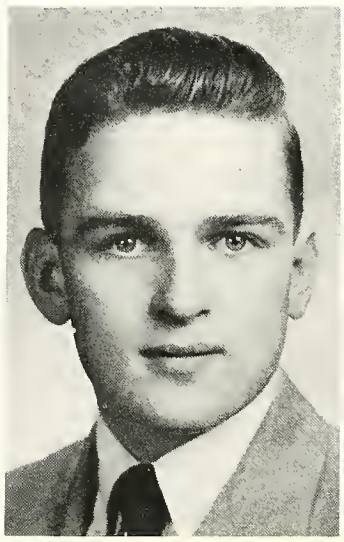

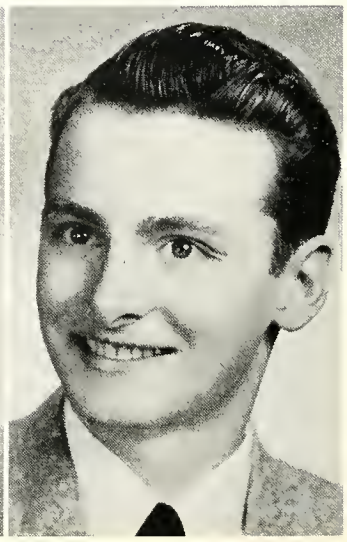

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H.N. 4; Glee Club 4.

JOHN P. KOPILASH

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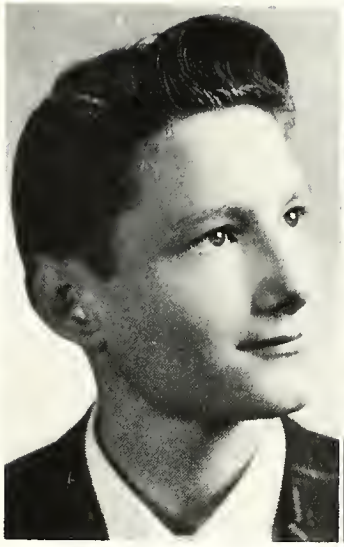
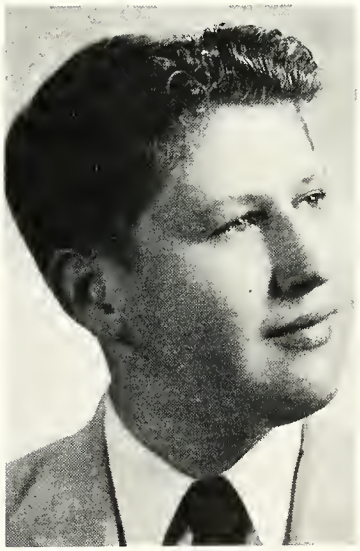
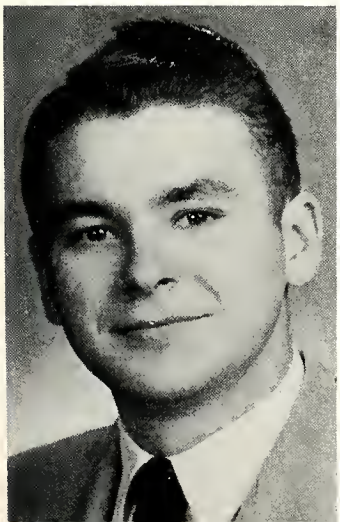
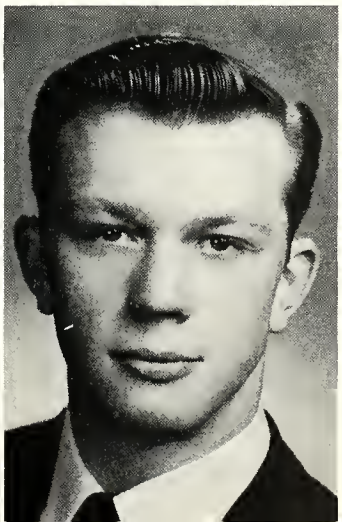


STANLEY F. MALOCHA

Class Treasurer 3; Servers Society 4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; P.N. 2,3,4; Glee Club 4; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3,4; Hobby Shop 2.







CHARLES LEYDEN

Class President 1; ASG 4; Lettermen's Club 3,4; Football 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 2,3; Murals 2,3.

ANTHONY C. LUCIUS

Class Treasurer 1; Oblate 3,4; Servers Society 1,2,3,4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; P.N. 3; Procopian Players 3; Basketball 1; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3,4; Hobby Shop 2,3.

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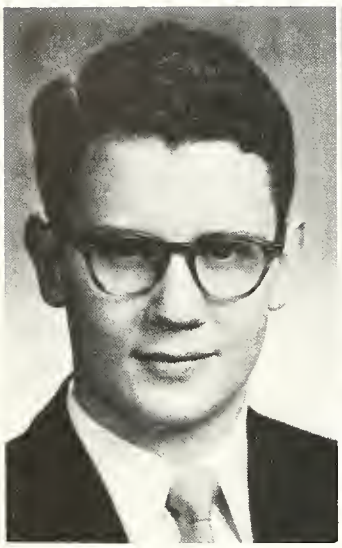
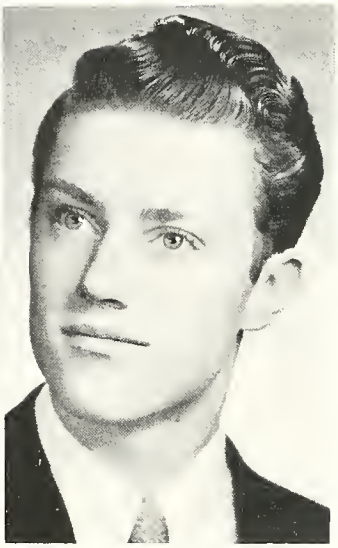


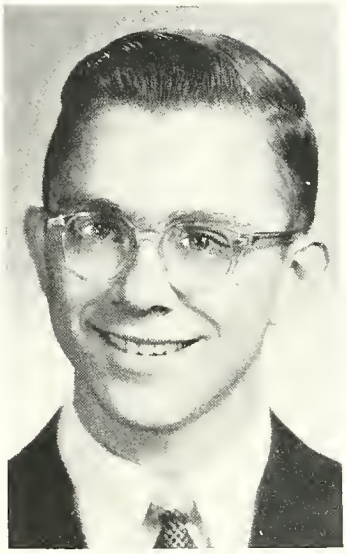


WILLIAM D. MORENCY

Class Vice President 2; ASG 1,2,3, Vice President 4; Homecoming Chairman 4; Oblate 3,4; H.N. 1,2, Treasurer 3,4; Servers Society 1,2,3, Secretary 4; Glee Club 4; Sacristan 1,2,3,4; Murals 1; Bowling 3.

JAMES E. O'BRIEN

ASG 4; H.N. 3,4; Annual Co-Editor 4; P.N. 3,4; Glee Club 4; Baseball 3; Murals 3,4; Bowling 3,4.



JAMES C. RAISPIS

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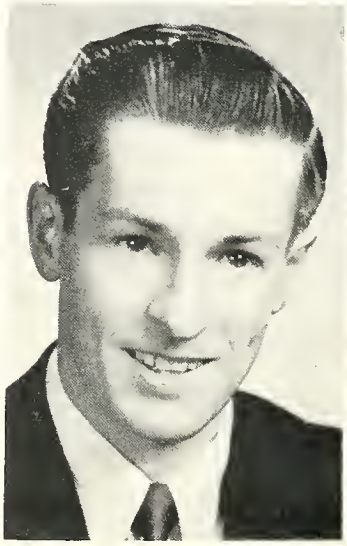
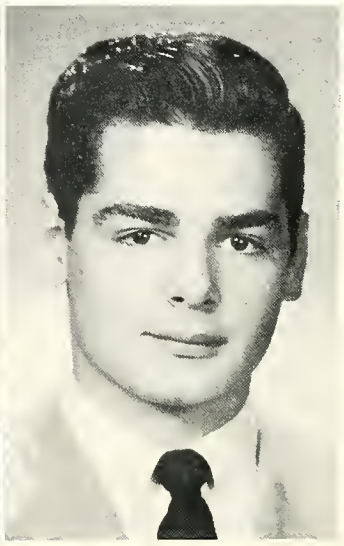
JERRY K. RICHTER

Oblate 3,4; Servers Society 1,2,3,4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; Procopian Players 2,3; Murals 1; Hobby Shop 1,2.

STUART W. SMITH

Murals 1,2.





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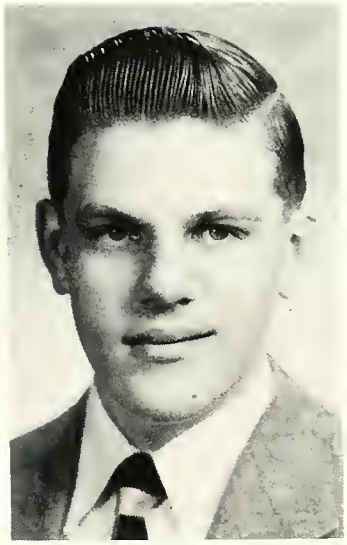
MEL R. SPOHN

Procopian Players 1,2,3; Football 1,2; Murals 1,2; Bowling 4.

ROBERT F. TRELO

ASG 2, Treasurer 3, Servers Society 1,2,3,4; H.N. 1,2,3,4; Lettermen's Club 2,3,4; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Murals 1,2,3,4; Bowling 3; P.N. 2.



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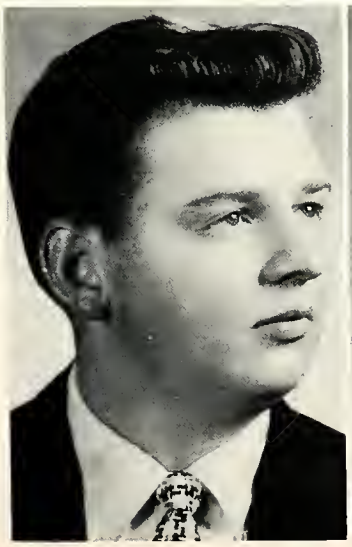

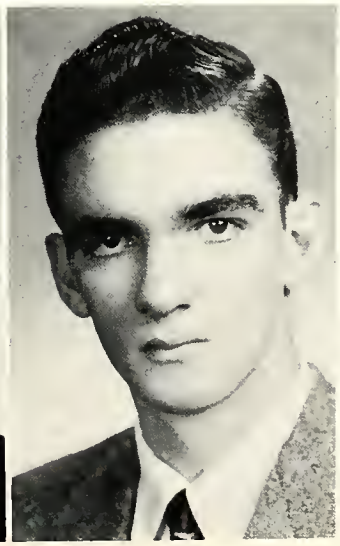

VINCENT VARGO

H.N. 2,3,4; Murals 2,3,4.

DONALD J. WOODS

Murals 1,2,3,4.

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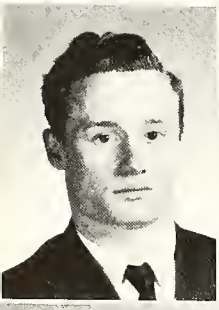

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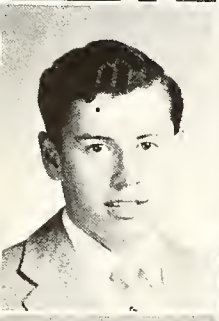

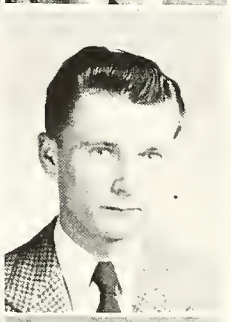

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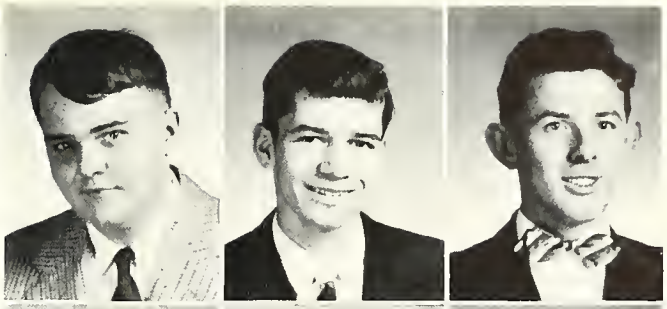

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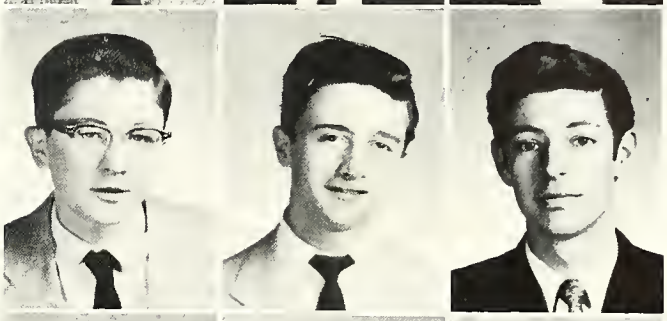

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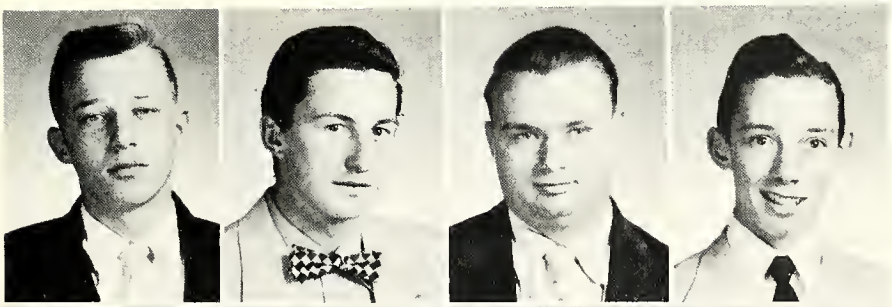

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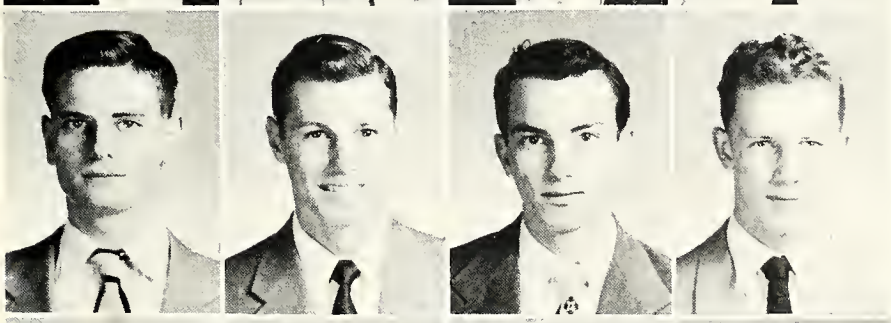

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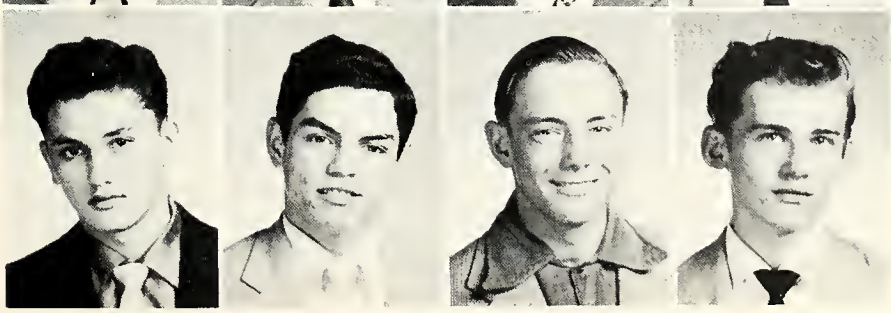

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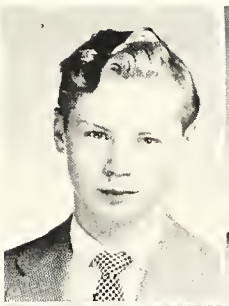

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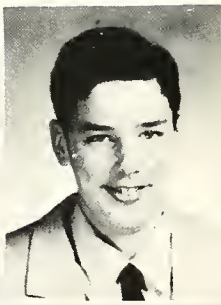

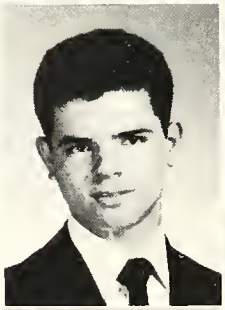

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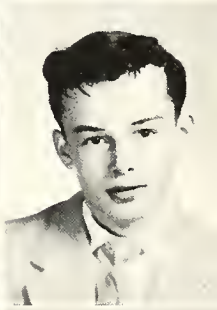

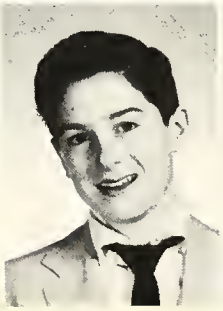

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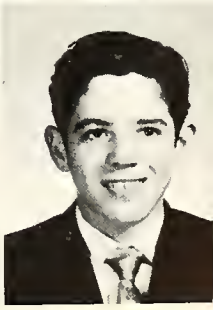

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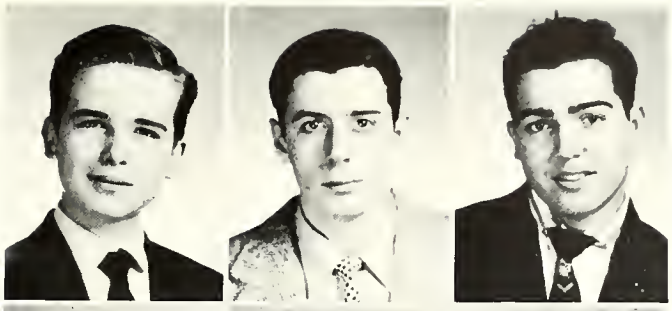

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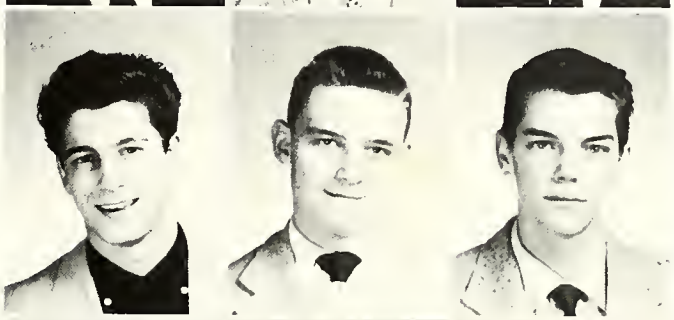

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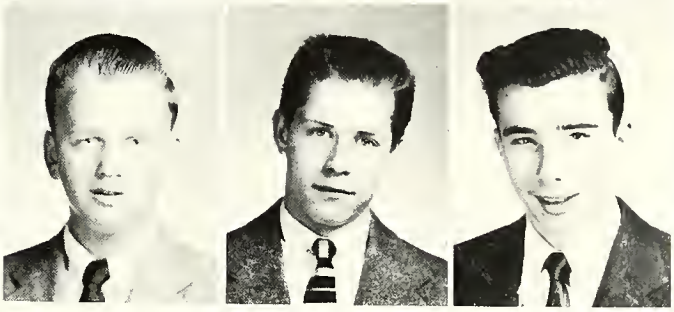

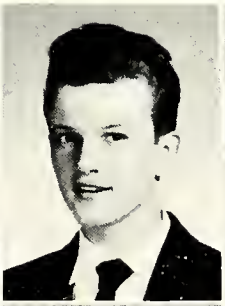

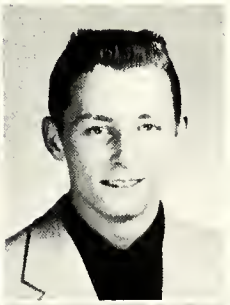

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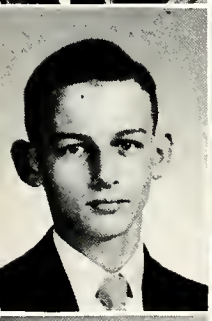

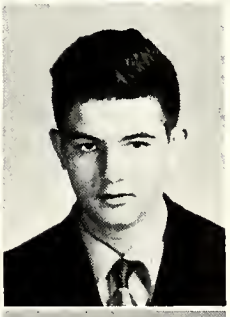

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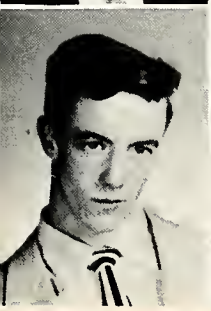

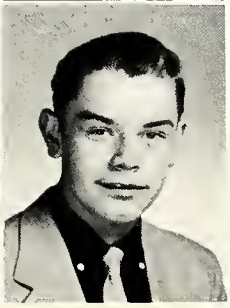

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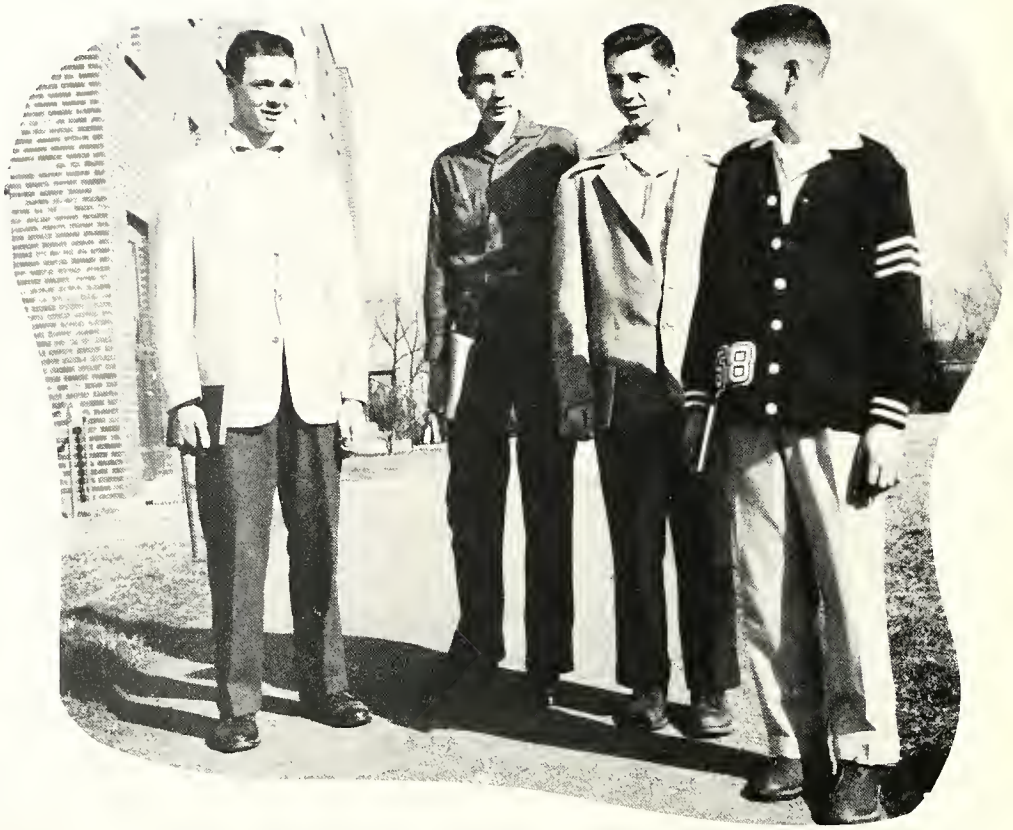

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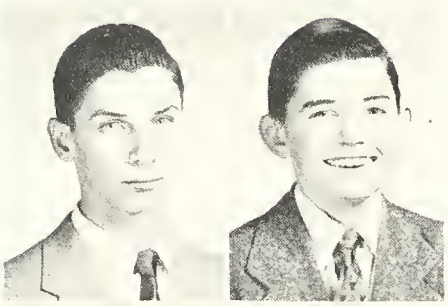

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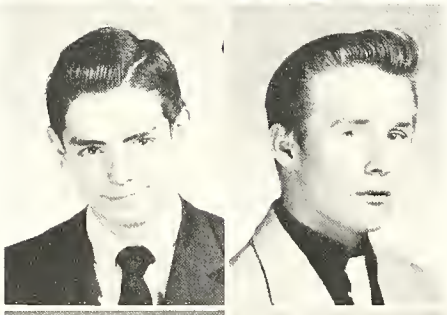

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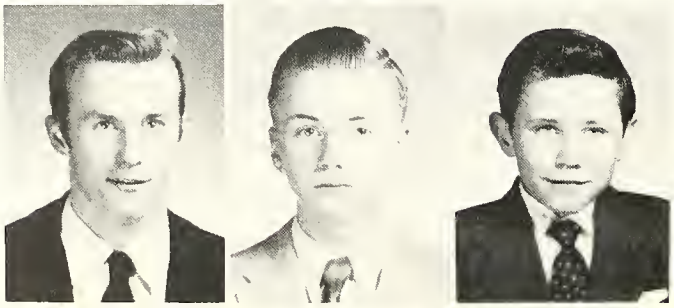

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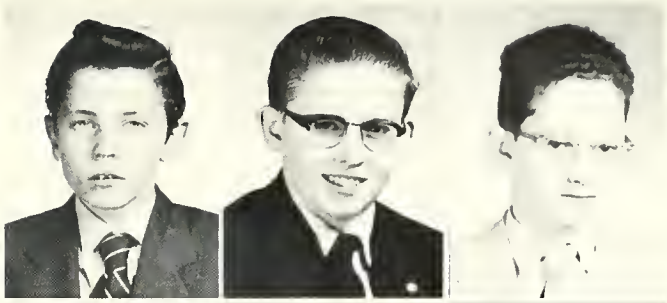

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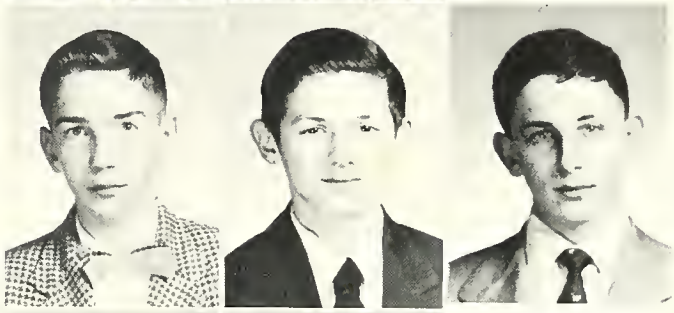

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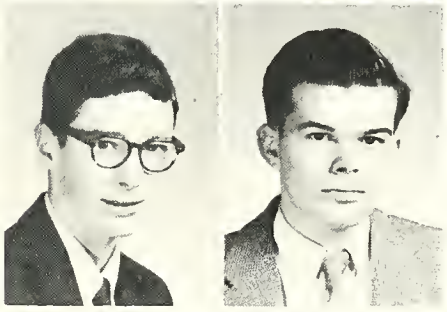

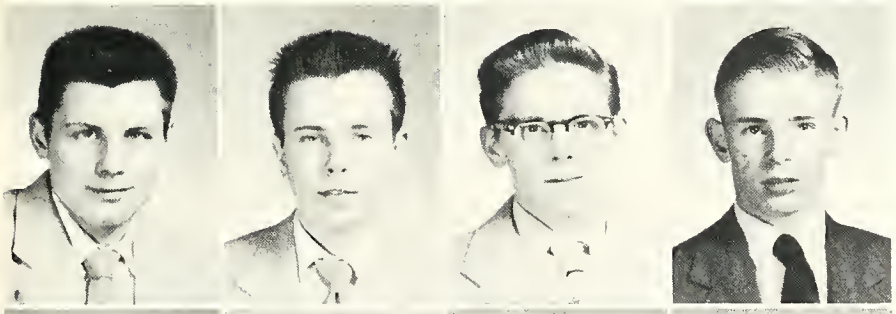

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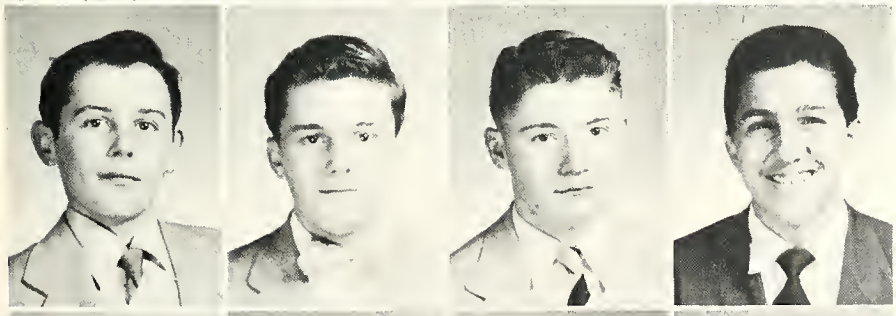

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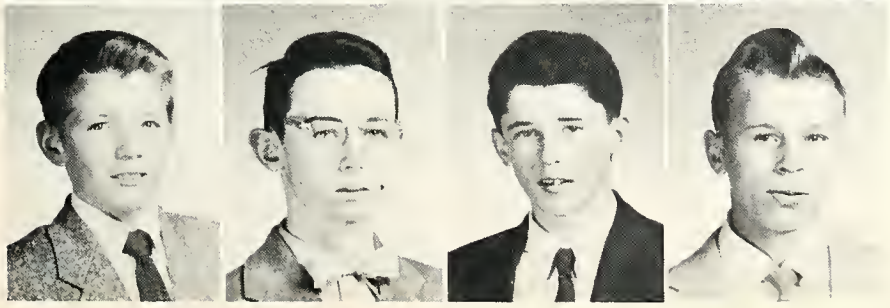

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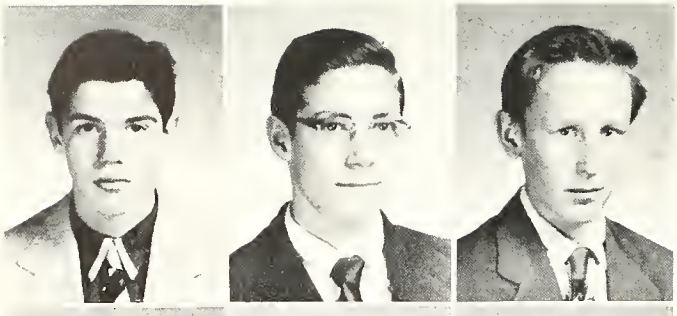

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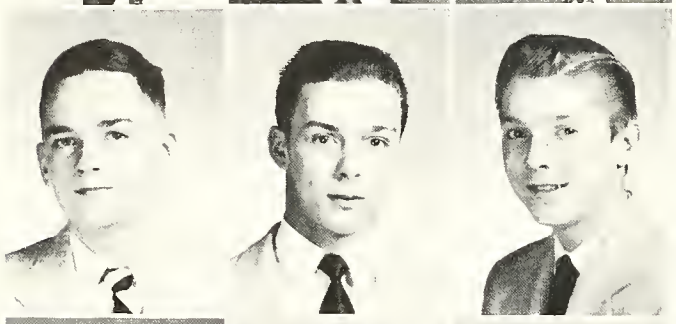

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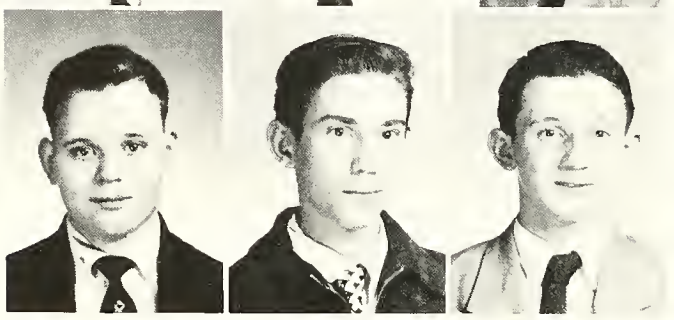

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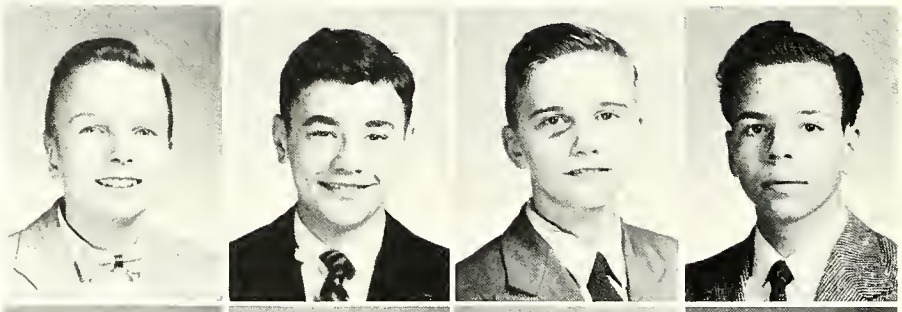

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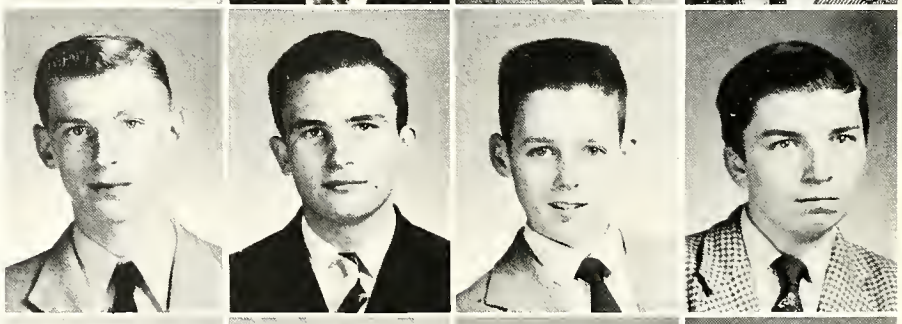

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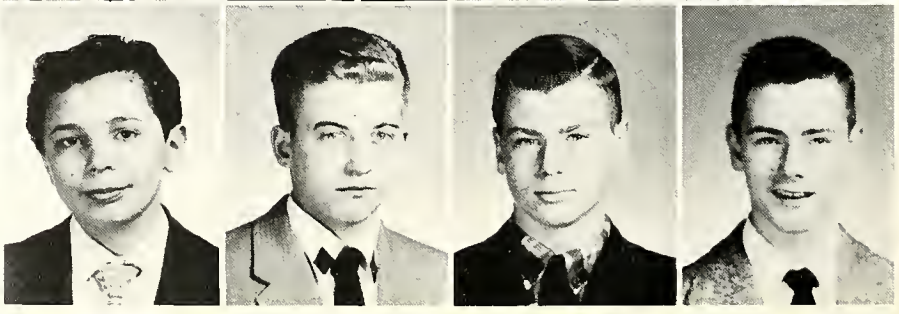

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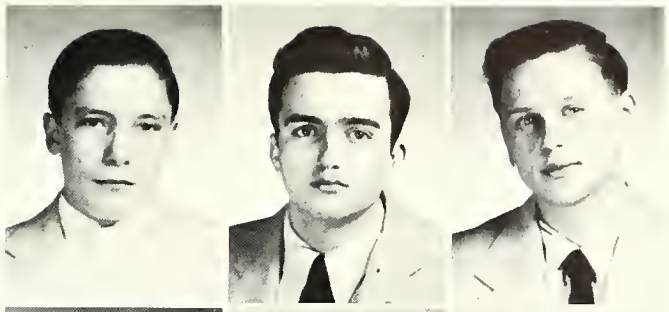

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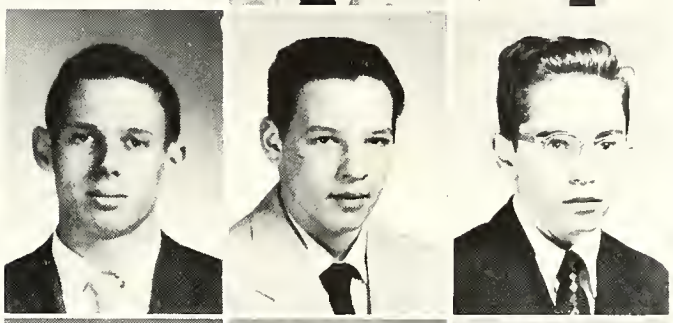

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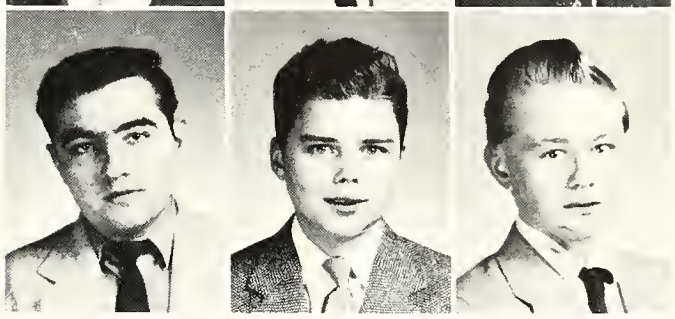

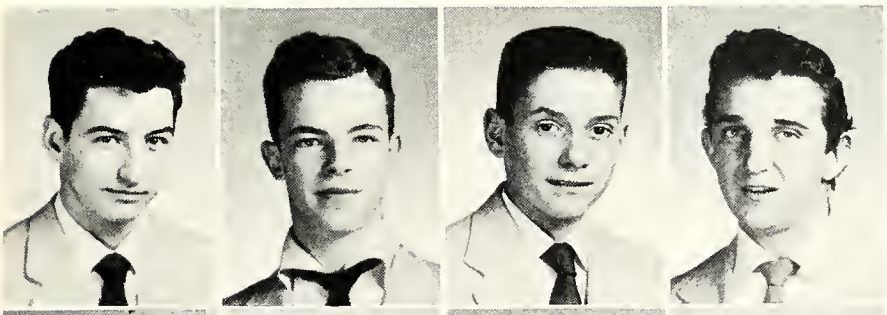

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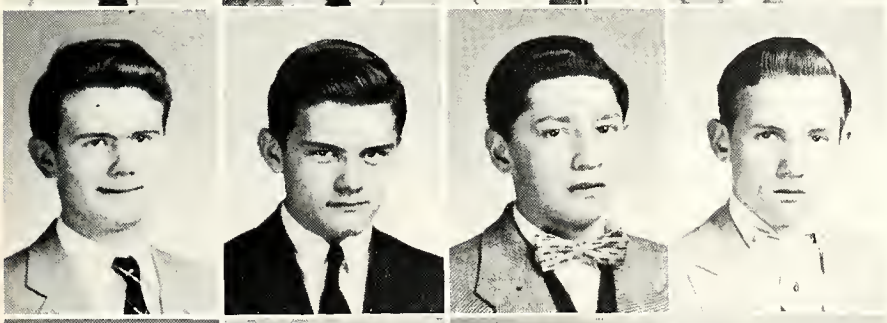

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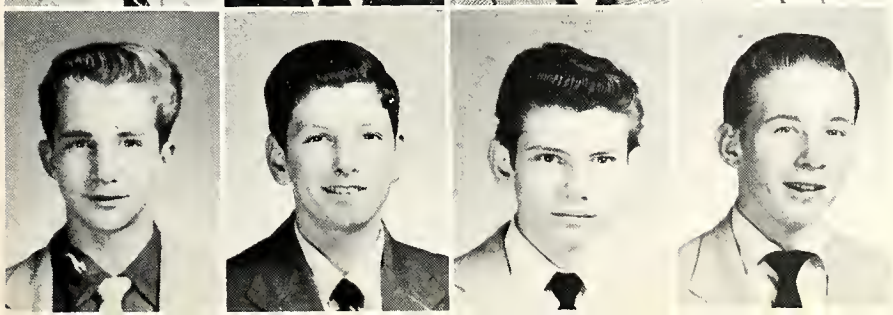

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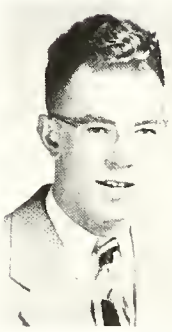

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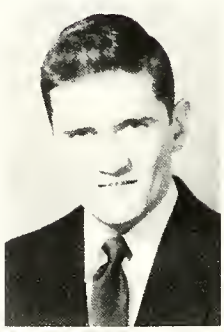

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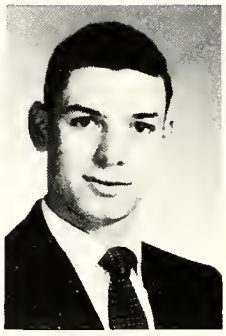

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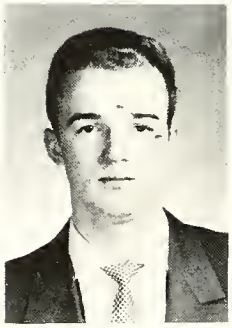

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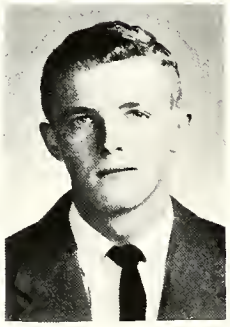

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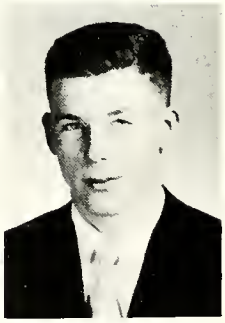

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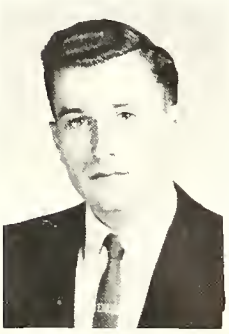

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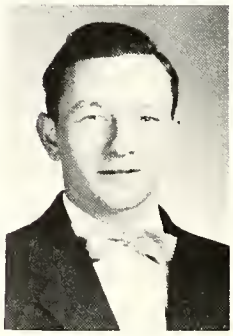

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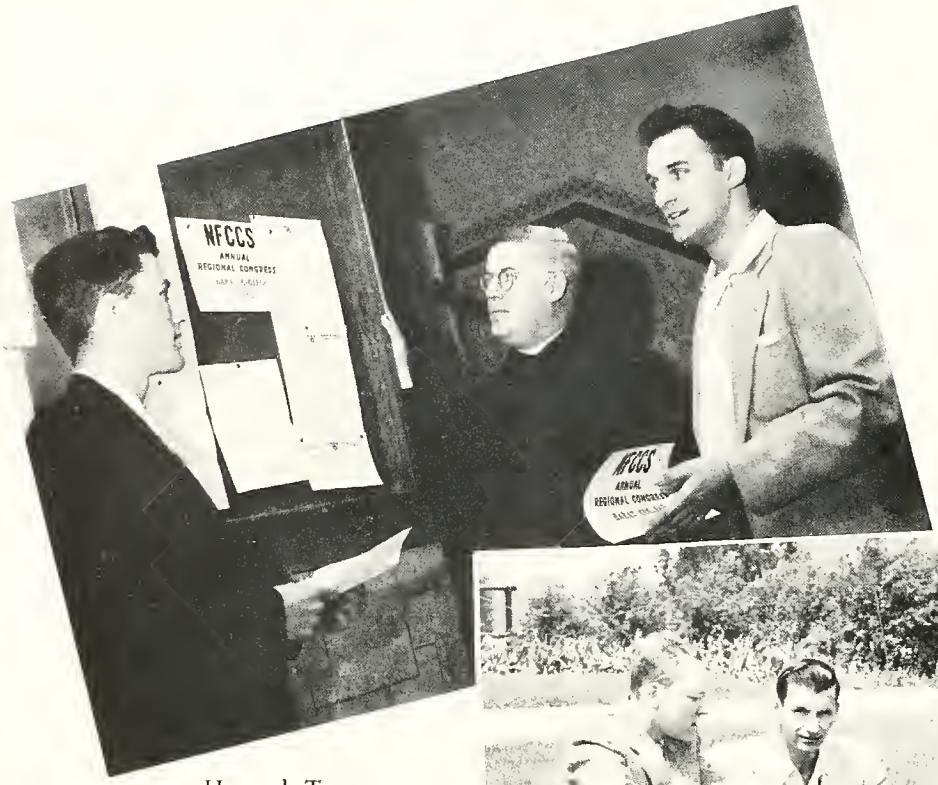

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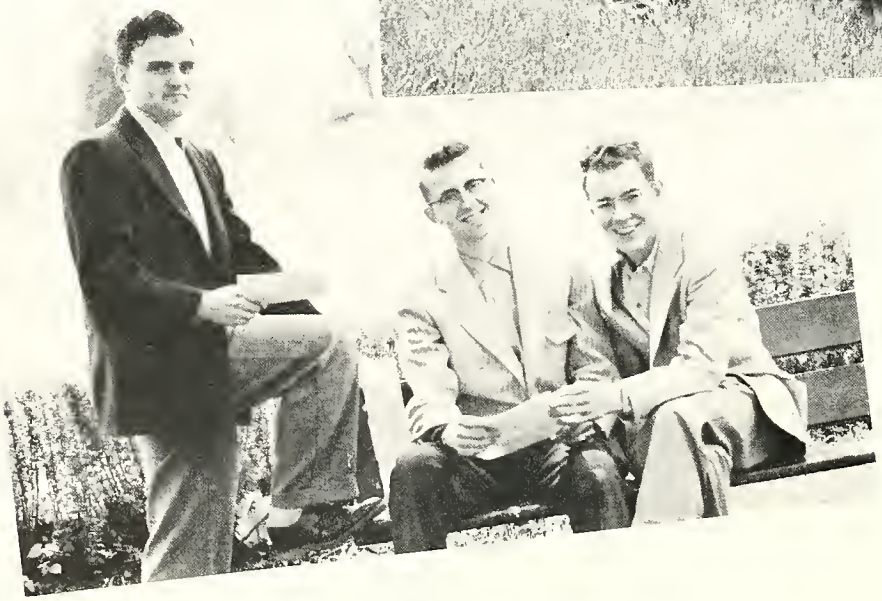

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YCS Meet Brings 215 From Midwest Schools

The Midwest High School Region of Young Christian Students, for the third consecutive summer, held its annual study week at St. Procopius from Aug. 15-19.

Proco's first delegation to YCS was comprised of Mike Tooley, the voting delegate, and 12 other members from the academy.

The study week attracted 215 students representing 47 schools throughout the U.S. Bishop Raymond Hillinger from Rockford came to address the YCS members on Aug. 17 and dined with them.

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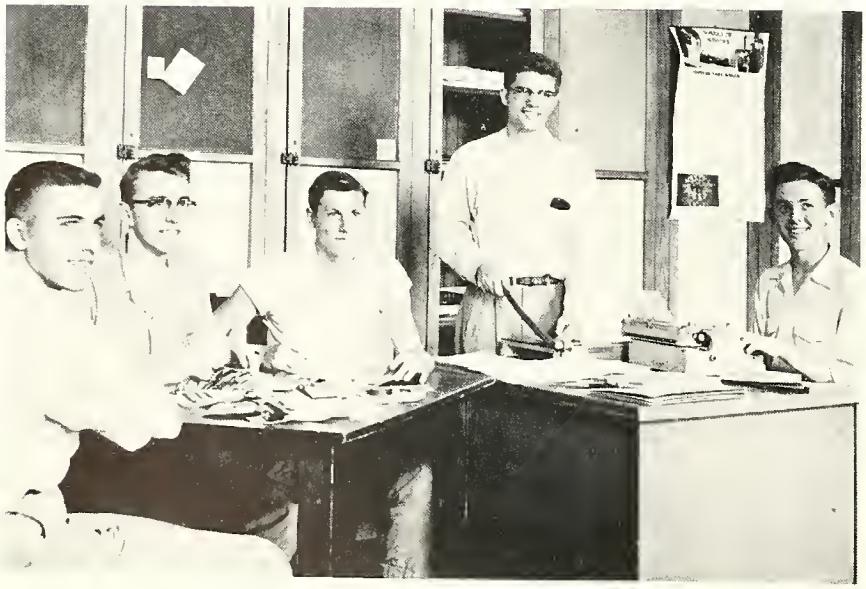

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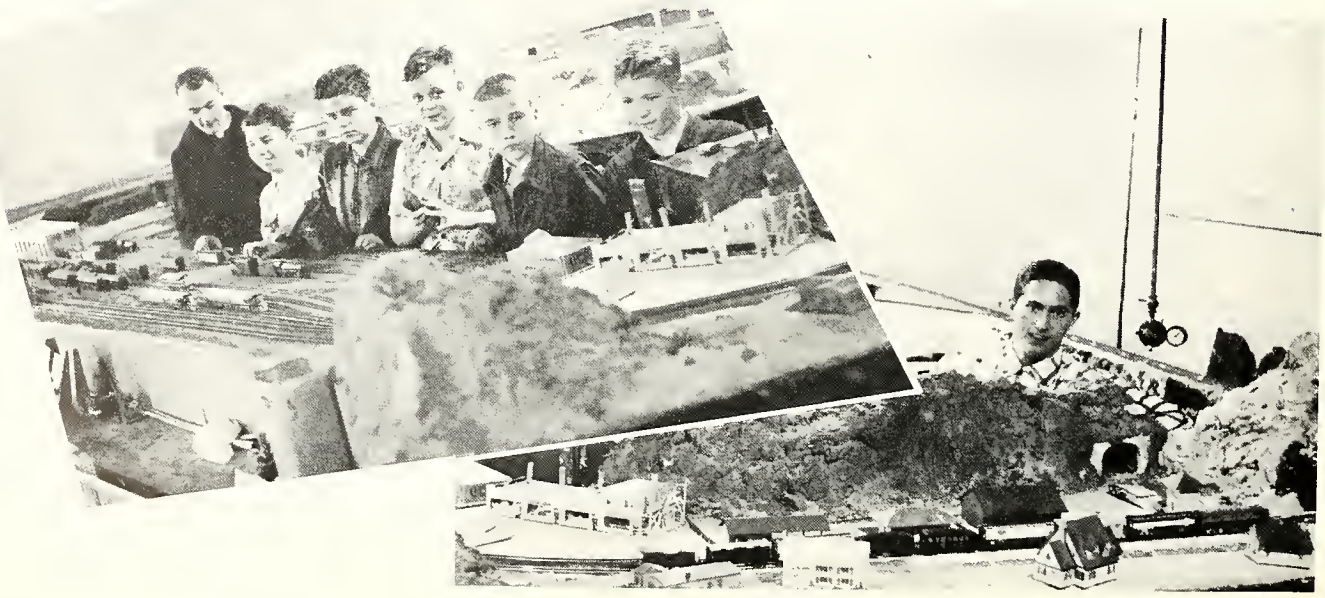

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FRONT ROW (L. to R.): A. Kaspar, R. Spelman ,J. Mrkvicka, J. Walsh, R. Velligan, T. Sweeney, J. Lajka—Mgr., G. Samuels. SECOND ROW: J. Kreil, J. Gregonis, J. Lee, E. Kolton, A. Nemec, J. Fedinec, D. Enright, L. Hebert. THIRD ROW: Coaci. Milo Harshbarger, J. Grajek, B. Kleina, A. Falkenstein, R. Haidu, R. Harshbarger, D. Rezek, Coach Walter Kuhn. BACK ROW: R. Winter, N. Dieter, J. Fahey, J. Figel, P. Siu, T. Bomkamp.

SEASON RECORD

SPC		OPP.
20	Concordia	0
7	Mission House	20
0	Northwestern Col.	2
0	Milton	6
12	Wisconsin Tech	13
12	Wisconsin Ext.	12

BADGER-ILLINI CONFERENCE

	W.	L.	T.
Northwestern	6	0	0
Mission House	4	2	0
Wisconsin Tech	4	2	0
ST. PROCOPIUS	1	4	1
Wisconsin Ext.	1	4	1
Concordia	0	6	0

CARDS HAVE POOR SEASON

With the football season over, now is a good time to look back over the team's accomplishments. The Cardinals finished their season with a disappainting record of one win, four losses, and one tie. However, three of the team's defeats were lost by a total of nine points.

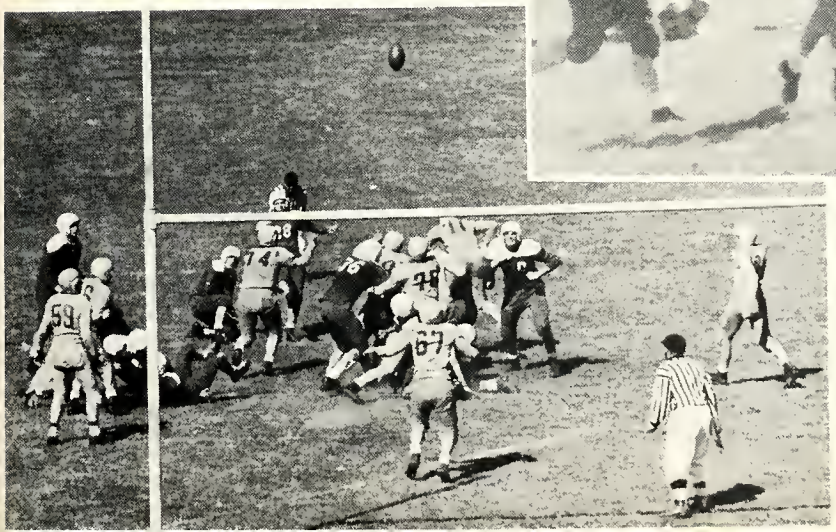
After opening the season with a convincing 20-0 victory over Concordia, the Cardinals lost their next four games. One of these losses was a hearkbreaking 2-0 decision to Northwestern, who finished as undefeated champs.

As it has been in the past few seasons, the Proco defense was effective against the opponents' ground attack, but the collegians were woefully weak on pass defense and also in their ability to generate any consistent running attack of their own.

MASTERMINDS!!

"Ike" Harshbarger, Walt Kuhn, Dave Rezek—Capt., Ron Baumgartner.

ALL THE WAY!



. . . TWO POINTS

REDWING FOOTBALL TEAM

FRONT ROW (L. to R.): Asst. Athletic Director Rev. Edward Kucera, OSB; Coach Ronald Baumgartner, Irvin Jana, Robert Trelo, Captain Gerald Bebar (with ball), James Raispis, William Bogett, Michael Tooley, John Walker, Asst. Coach Fr. Virgil Trelo, OSB. SECOND ROW: Martin Klenda. Robert Aeschliman, Michael Higgins, Richard Binder, David Bell, John Ritzer, Wally Mueller, Benedict Klenda, Dasey Spokas. THIRD ROW: Manager Richard Prise, Thomas Gobby, Anthony Castino, Thomas Classen, Jerome Gibson, Paul Lukasik, Donald Pins, Arnold Blanek, John Shallack, Manager Harold Hall. BACK ROW: Donald Bell, Michael McCarthy, William Sladek, John Kwiatkowski, Ken Konecny, Edward Piech, John Finn.

ACADEMY FOOTBALL

SEASON SCORES

S.P.A.		OPP.
13	Wheaton Academy	0
6	St. Mary	20
0	St. Edward	0
7	Immaculaate Con.	19
7	St. Thomas	43
27	Maryville	7

N.E.C.C.

TEAM	W.	L.	T.
Immaculate Con.	5	0	0
St. Thomas	4	1	0
St. Mary	2	3	0
ST. PROCOPIUS	1	3	1
St. Edward	1	3	1
Maryville	1	4	0

The Redwings had a variable season with spells that made them look like champs; and others like their records would indicate.

Playing surprisingly brilliant ball they opened the season, amid torrid 90 degree weather, and scored a 13-0 "water-bucket triumph" over Wheaton Academy. Hardest fought contest was played with St. Edward. The game ended in a scoreless tie and was highlighted by four Proco goal line stands.

Homecoming for the Academy was a great success. A crew of invincible stalwarts tangled with their arch-rival Maryville and handed them a 27-7 drubbing. Captain Gerry Bebar crossed the chalk line three times to spearhead the Redwing drive.

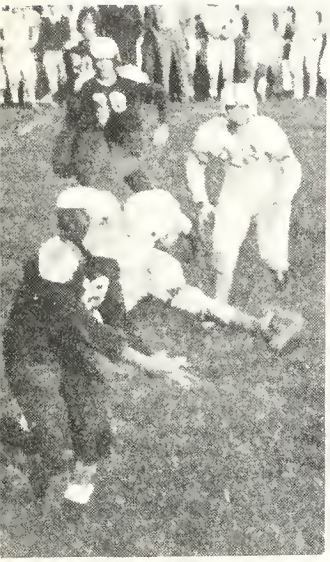
Oops!

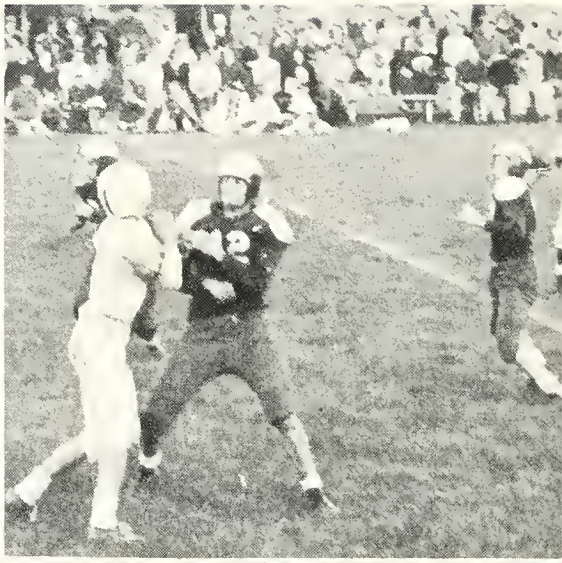
A-A-Way We Go!

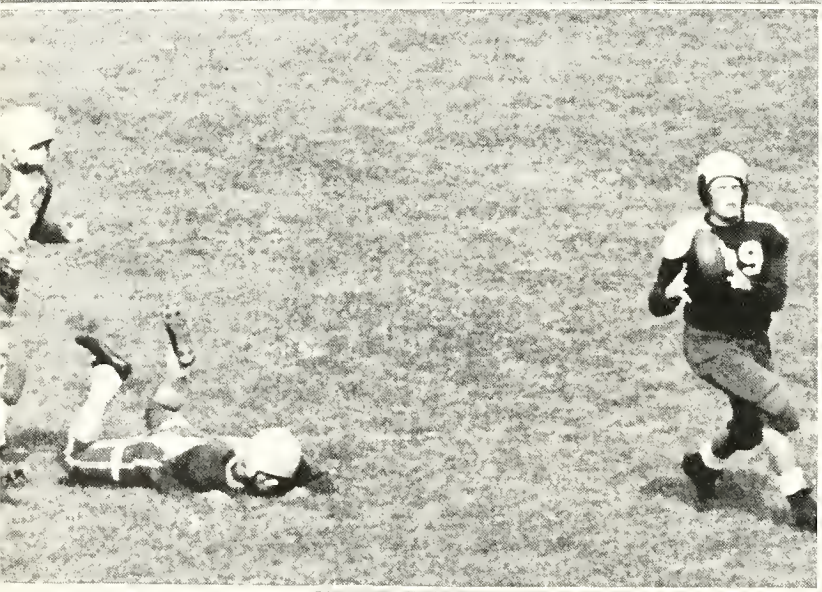
Get-em Gang

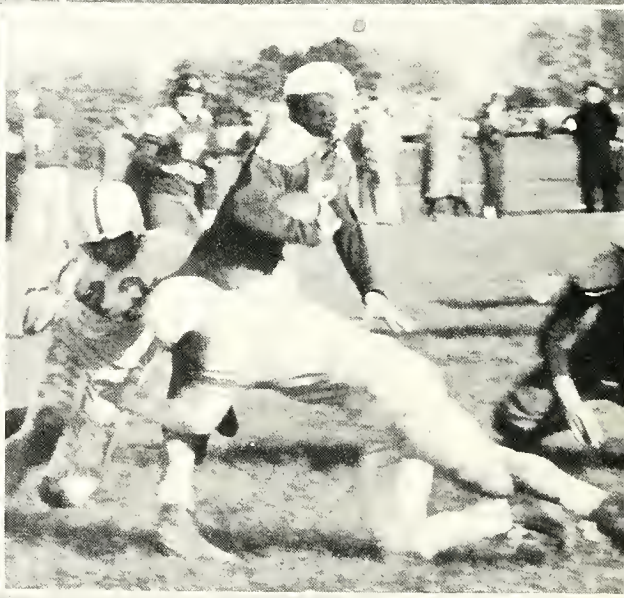
. . . And Bebar slides over for the T.D. !!

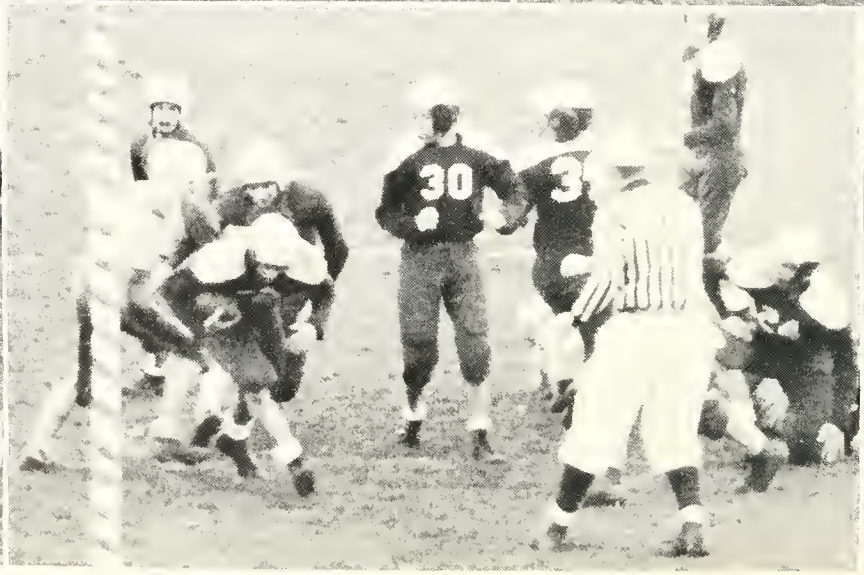
TOUCHDOWN!!











ALL-CONFERENCE

DAVE REZEK
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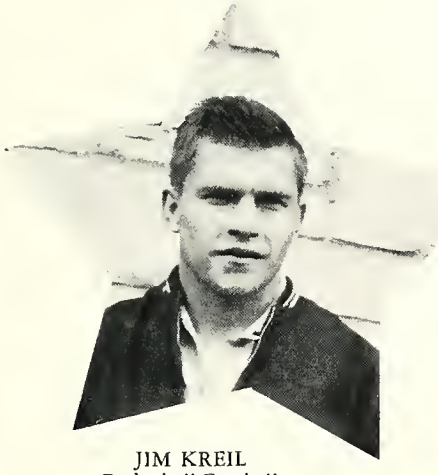
Football
North East Catholic



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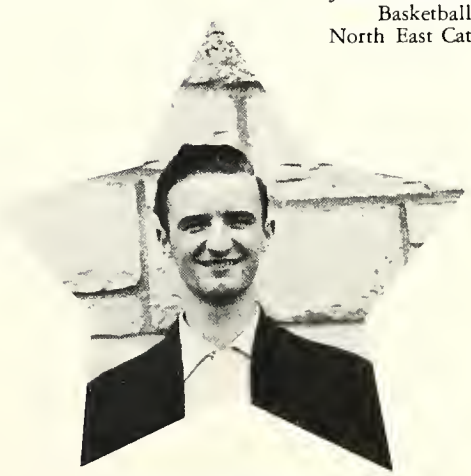

JACK SCHWEDER
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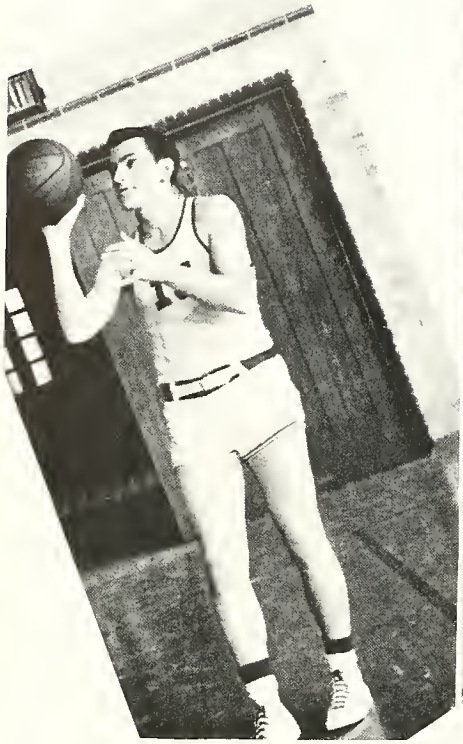
North East Catholic

COLLEGE BASKETBALL



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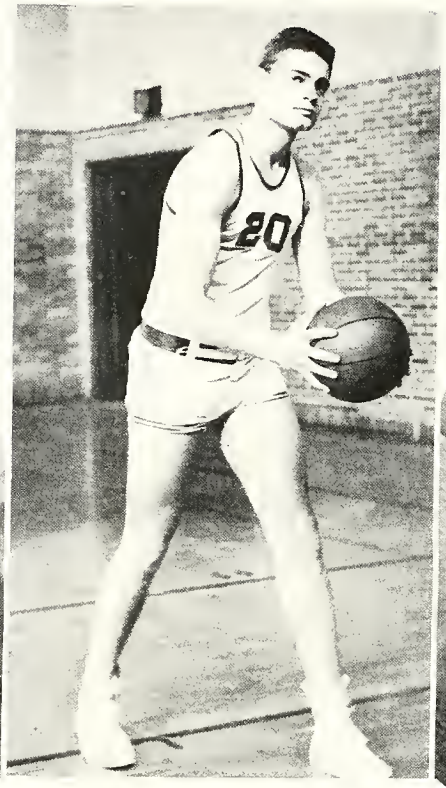

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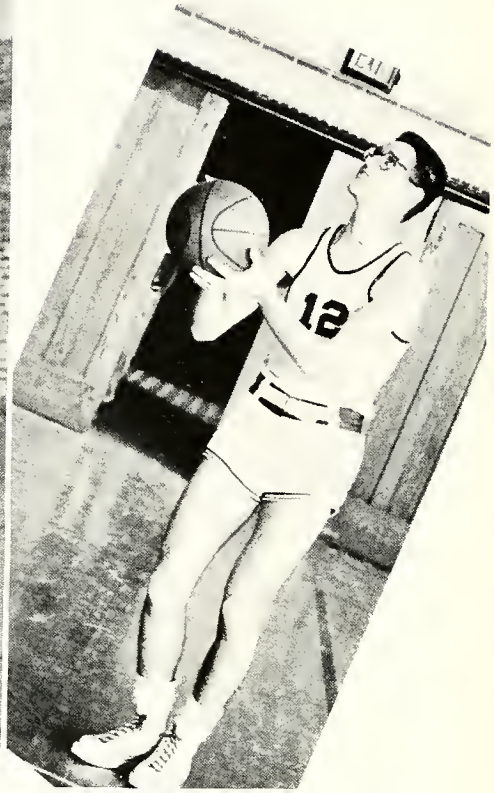

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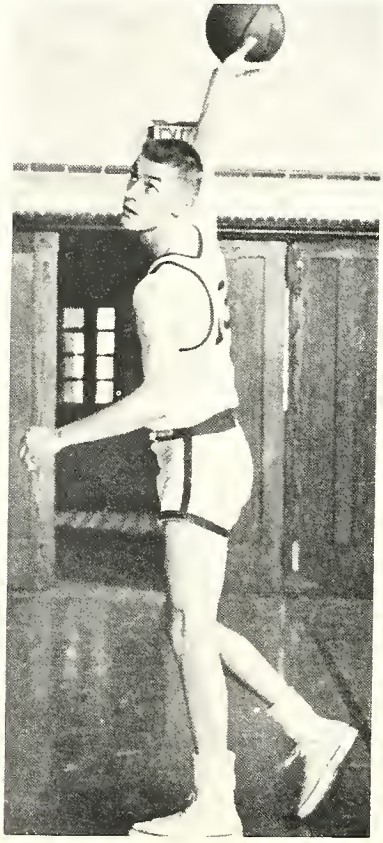

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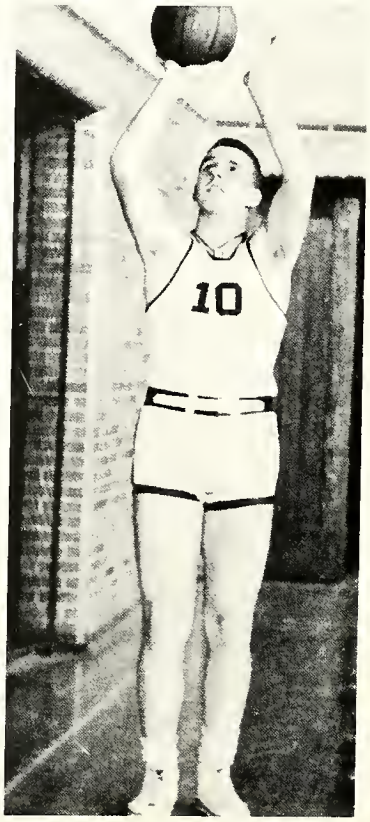

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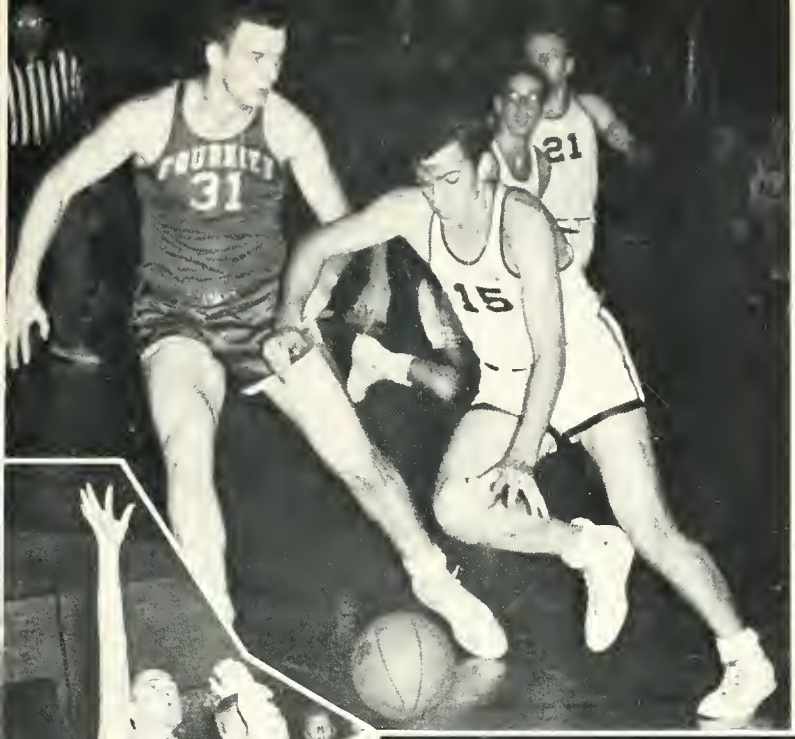
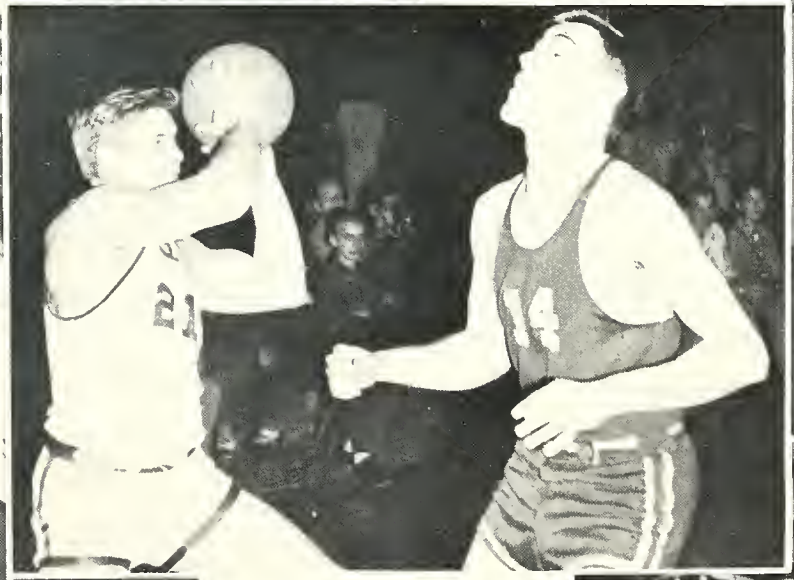
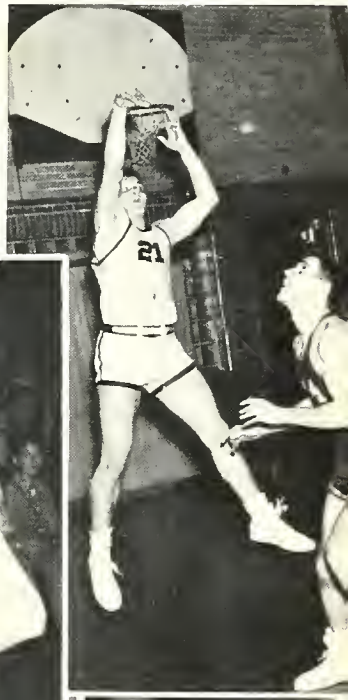


SUCCESSFUL SEASON

In the final encounter of the season the Cards dropped a conference decision to visiting Mission House, 81-67. This was the third straight loss, and, for the season's total, the 8th against 9 wins. Their conference record was 6-4, good enough to tie with Mission House for second place.

Coach Harshbarger had a solid scoring unit in his starting five, and at times his bench displayed fine ability. Each of the starters averaged in double figures. All-conference center Dave Rezek, after getting off to a poor start, hit his stride and led the team in scoring with 271 points.



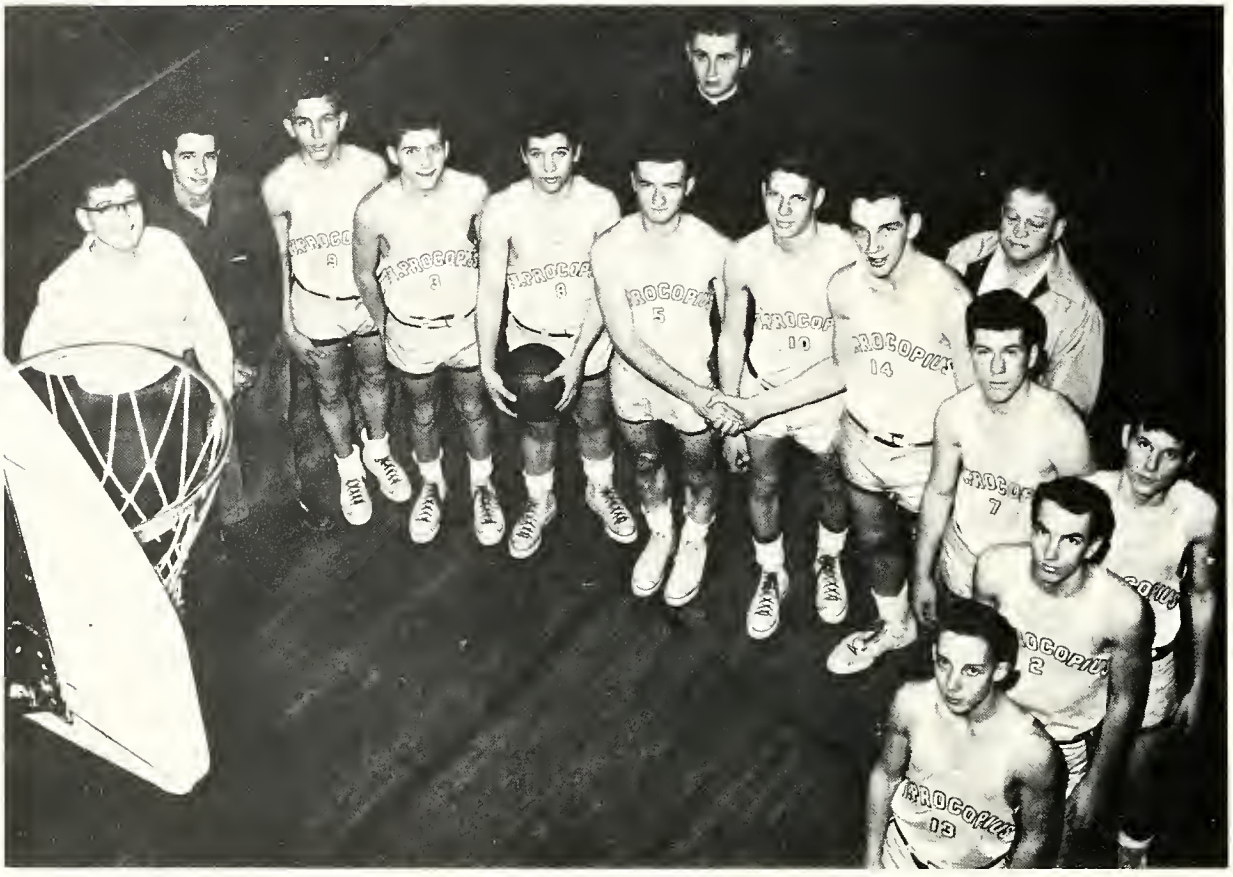


RECORD

60	Fournier	74
72	Milton	60
82	Concordia	81
72	Aurora	99
71	Wisconsin Ext.	64
76	George Williams	50
74	Northwestern	73
89	George Williams	66
66	Lewis	92
66	Concordia	70
71	Wisconsin Ext.	69
65	Milton	69
93	Northwestern	75
85	Aurora	72
82	Wisconsin Tech.	86
59	Fournier	84
67	Mission House	81

Won 9 — Lost 8

ACADEMY VARSITY BASKETBALL



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SEASON RECORD

SPA		OPP.
43	Bensenville	40
47	St. Thomas	59
50	St. Mary	41
32	St. Edward	41
64	Lemant	46
46	Peatane	68
59	Maryville	61
57	Wheatan Academy	52
45	Lemant	35
54	Immaculate Canc.	42
57	Carl Sandburg	48
42	Jaliet Cathalic	46
68	St. Edward	79
52	St. Mary	35
51	St. Thomas	67
51	Northwestern	45
61	Maryville	33
31	Bensenville	41
57	Immaculate Canc.	45
	DISTRICT TOURNAMENT	
42	Immaculate Canc.	19
51	Bensenville	49
	REGIONAL TOURNAMENT	
38	Oak Park	102

NORTH EAST CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

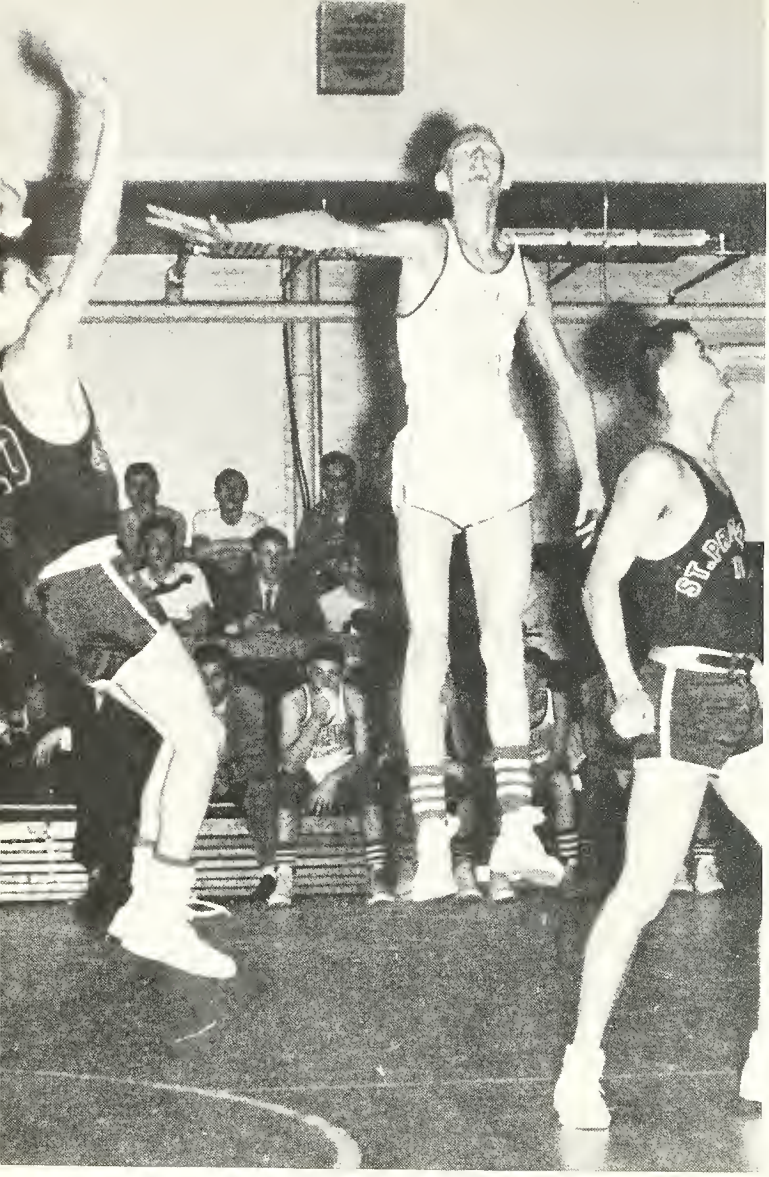
	W.	L.
St. Thomas	9	1
St. Edward	9	1
ST. PROCOPIUS	5	5
Immaculate Conception	3	7
Maryville	3	7
St. Mary	1	9

DISTRICT CHAMPS!!

Despite a shady season's record of 11 wins and 8 losses the Academy cagers won their third Lisle District Tournament by edging out the Bensenville Bisons in the championship game, 51-49. In the opening game of the first round the Redwings romped over Immaculate Conception of Elmhurst, 42-19. On the following night Proco met Bensenville for the championship. A third quarter rally caught up with Bensenville and put the Redwings ahead 44-38. They then stalled and kept control of the ball the rest of the game to gain the victory.

Beginning the game right

Raise That Score!



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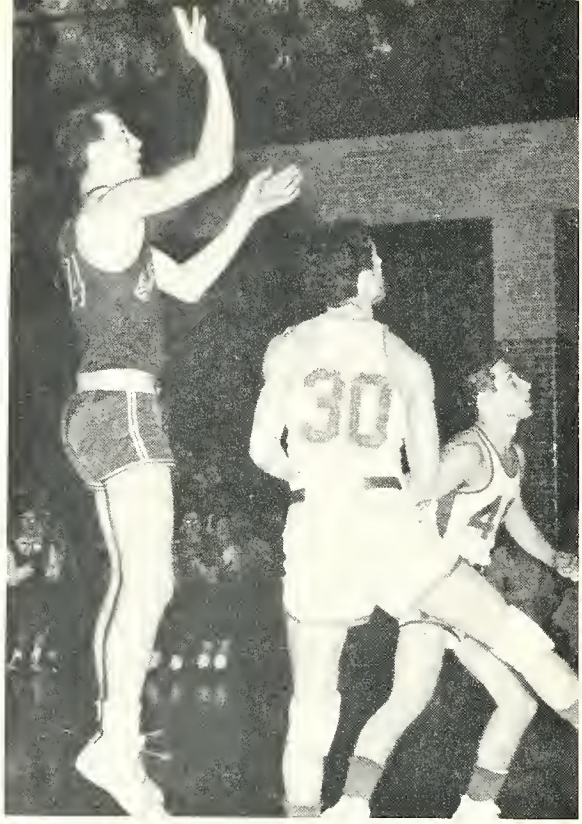
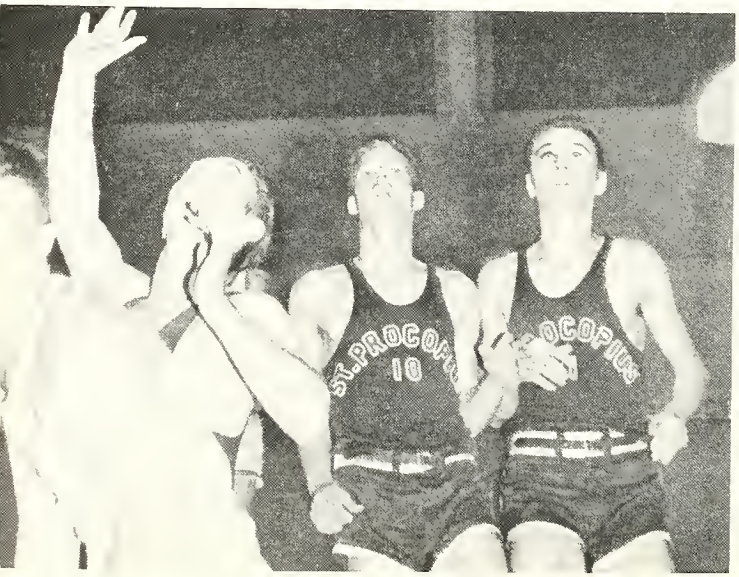
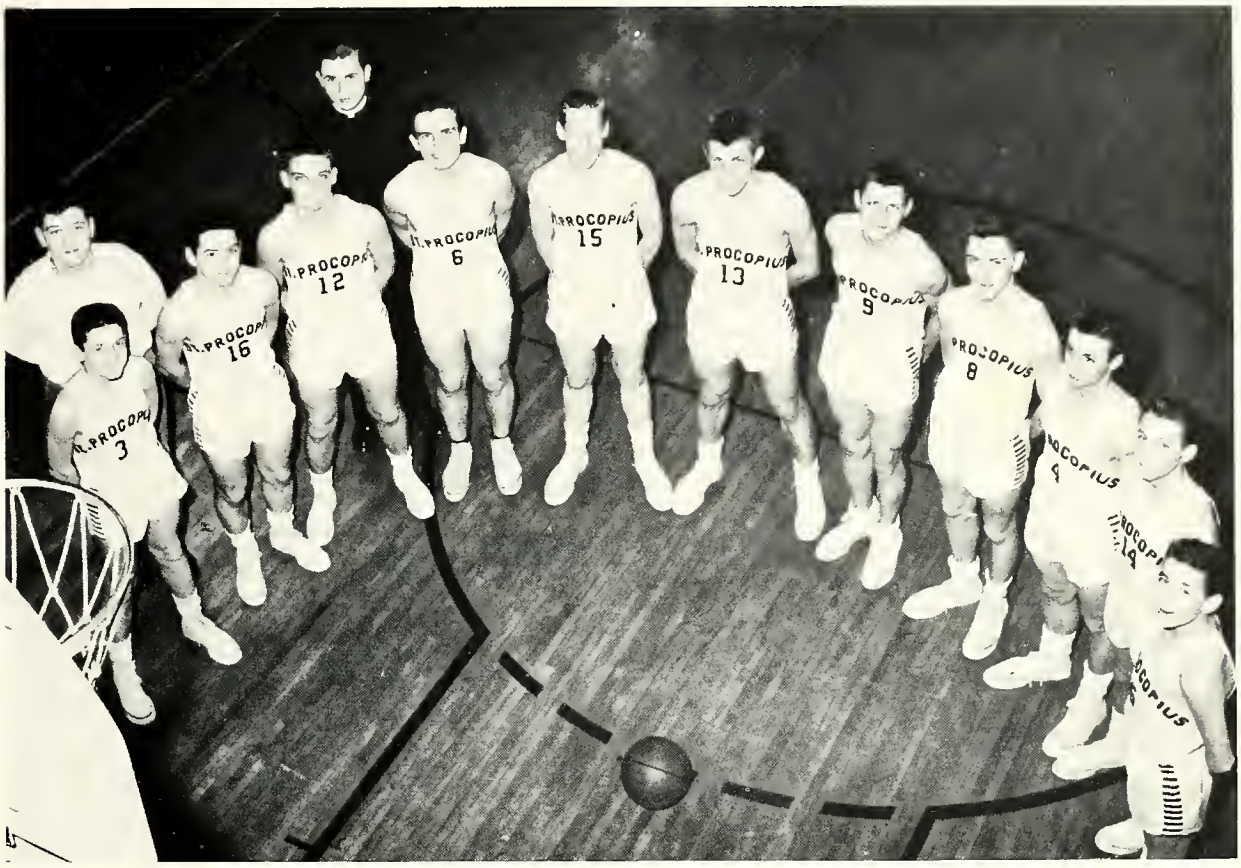




A-a-a-a What's Up Doc?

FROSH-SOPH BASKETBALL



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JR. RED WINGS BLAZE TO 2nd PLACE

The Frosh-Soph cagers, coached successfully by Father Edward, ended their season in a blaze of glory by defeating their last five opponents. This superb performance enhanced a season's record of 12 wins and 5 losses. They took second place in the North East Catholic Conference with 8 wins and 2 losses. Their only conference setbacks were a 54-41 loss to St. Thomas and a 55-35 licking by St. Edward.

SEASON SCORES

SPA		OPP.
48	Bensenville	52
41	St. Thomas	54
36	St. Mary	23
34	St. Edward	32
54	Lemont	33
33	Maryville	28
37	Wheaton Academy	31
37	Lemont	36
47	Immaculate Con.	42
26	Carl Sandbury	34
26	Joliet Catholic	30
35	St. Edward	55
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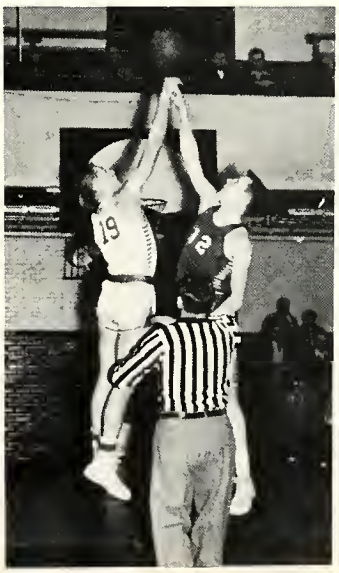
49	Bensenville	44
49	Immaculate Con.	48



NORTH EAST CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

	W.	L.
St. Edward	9	1
ST. PROCOPIUS	8	2
Immaculate Con.	5	5
St. Thomas	5	5
St. Mary	3	7
Maryville	0	10

COLLEGE BASEBALL

FRONT ROW (L. to R.): Patun, Dick, Soltis, Pavlik, Grajek
BACK ROW: Samuels—mgr., Zanoni, Payette, Beautenmiller, Valha, Lee.

BATTING AVERAGES
College

NAME	AB	R	H	RBI	PCT	SB
Wolf	19	10	9	5	.474	1
B'miller	26	5	11	10	.423	0
Seibert	17	2	6	3	.353	0
Grajek	23	7	8	4	.347	0
Dick	3	2	1	5	.333	0
Soltis	23	7	7	8	.304	0
Pavlik	22	4	6	12	.272	0
Heitzler	19	7	5	2	.263	4
Patun	8	2	2	2	.250	1
Siu	23	7	5	4	.217	7
Lee	5	2	1	0	.200	0
Payette	19	4	2	2	.105	0

FRONT ROW (L. to R.): Paul Lukasik, Michael Mann, Emil Kaderabek, Gerald Bebar, Robert Trelo, Michael Sidlo. MIDDLE ROW: Richard Prise—manager, John Shallack, Michael Tooley, Robert Aeschliman, John Vlk, Robert Lesner. BACK ROW: Ken Konecny—manager, William Holstine, Benedict Klenda, John Finn, Ralph Freibert, Jerome Zengerle, Clement Dauskurdas, Lawrence McKay.

WINGS BEST IN YEARS!

The Redwings ended their most successful baseball season in many a year. They finished the season with five wins and three losses and scored a smashing average of ten runs per contest.

SCORES

SPA		OPP.
0	Marmion	6
10	Immaculate Con.	5
10	Lemont	1
8	Marmion	9
19	Maryville	8
4	Lemont	11
14	Maryville	4
19	Immaculate Con.	3

COLLEGE GOLF TEAM

Dick Winters, Jack Cook, Dale DeGeeter, Len Rambow, and Bob Spelman.

FORE . . .

THIRD IN BADGER - ILLINI CONFERENCE

The golf team has shown much aggressiveness and dexterity this year. Third place honors in the recent B-I conference meet went to crew. They also turned back the linkmen twice, 7-5 and 15-0.

RESULTS

Milwoukee Extension	343
Milton	350
ST. PROCOPIUS	396
Concordia	373
Northwestern	409
Mission House	436

ENTERTAINMENT

COLLEGE SPRING DANCE

The College Spring Dance was held this year on Saturday, April 30 at the Del Prado Hotel in Chicago. The dance was attended by over one hundred fifteen couples. Phil Levant and his band provided the music for the evening. A good time was had by all.

EVENING IN PARIS

ACAD. JR. SR. PROM

This year the Prom was again held in the Gym, with an "Evening in Paris" setting. The large crowd enjoyed themselves dancing to the music of Rex Paul.

MARY'S DAY

A day for Mary was planned for Sunday May 22nd. Despite inclement weather an estimated crowd of three thousand people attended the day.

The Abbot of St. Procopius offered the Pontifical Mass to start the day's events. In the afternoon, His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Tien, Archbishop of Peking, China, presided. Father Nicholas Norman addressed the Marian crowd during the unveiling of the Statue of Our Lady in Exile.

CAMPING DAY

HOMECOMING

RALLY

A bonfire rally the night before Homecoming started the spirit that prevailed on through the games to the dance that nicely closed the day.

GAMES AND SMORGASBORD

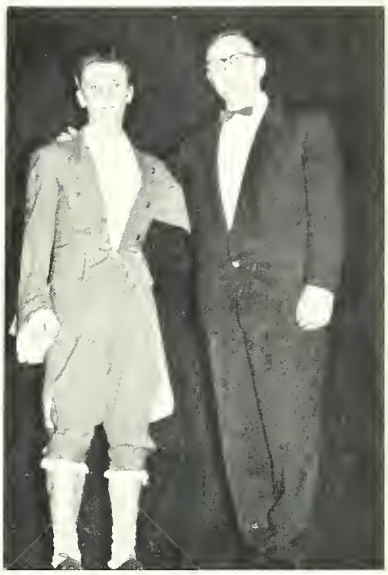
The first double header ever held at St. Procopius started with the Academy playing Maryville, whom they trounced 27-7. The College game followed, and the Cards were beaten 13-12 in a thrilling game that was not decided until the last few minutes of play. A smorgasbord supper followed the game.

DANCE!

The day's festivities were brought to a close with the dance in the evening. The dance was very well attended, and many couples danced to the music of Rex Paul.

AMATEUR NITE

THE WINNERS!



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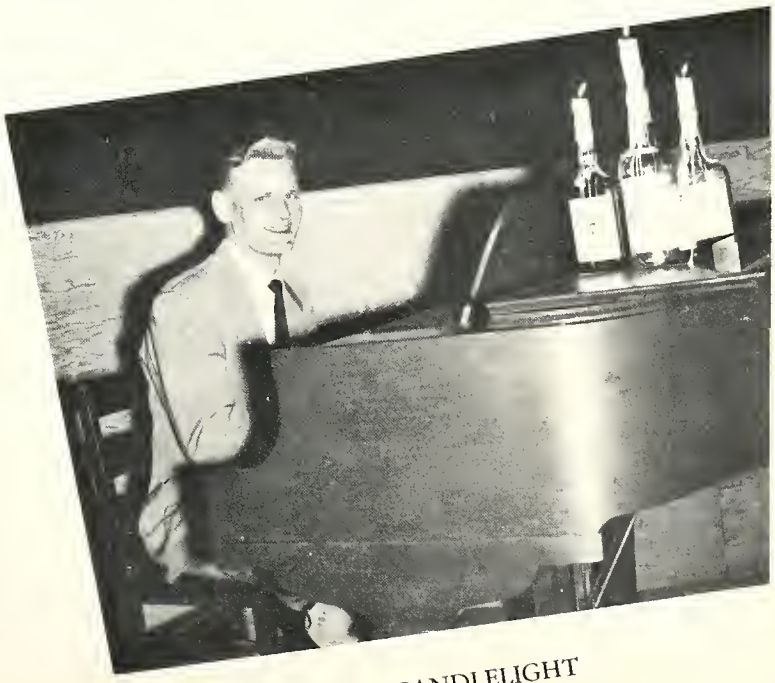

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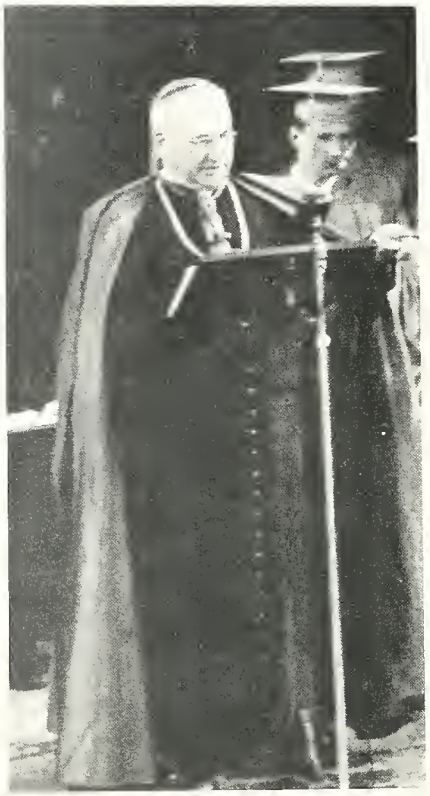

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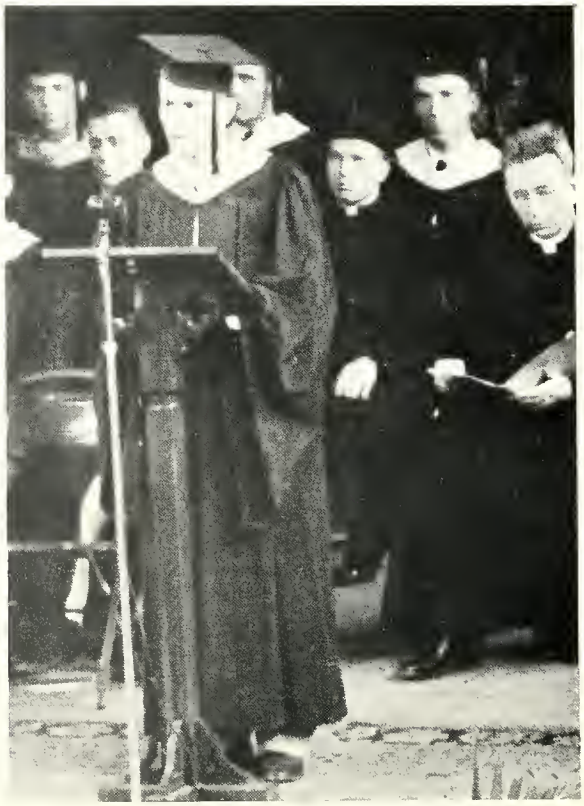

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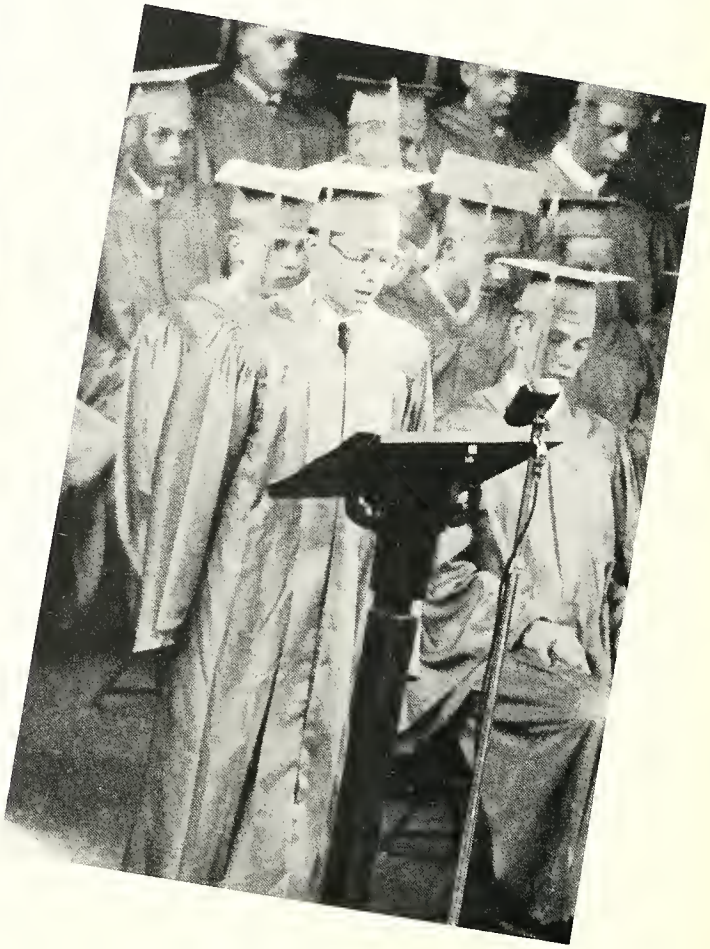

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